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Astounding Incidents At Foochow

An astounding story of Japanese naval interference with British shipping was brought back to Hong Kong by the Douglas steamer, Haitan, to-day.

Attempts to land cargo and passengers were frustrated by Japanese mosquito craft, which machine-gunned all native vessels attempting to reach the Haitan.

At one stage in the proceedings, a British destroyer, understood to be H.M.S. Diamond, intervened, and put a party of bluejackets aboard the Haitan. When these were withdrawn, the excitement having apparently died down, the trouble began all over again.

The incident occurred outside Foochow, and the Haitan was finally compelled to bring back to Hong Kong all cargo consigned to Foochow, together with a number of passengers who had booked to Foochow.

Cold-blooded methods were adopted by the Japanese naval craft in their campaign to interference with the lawful occasions of the Haitan, according to passengers who made the round trip. Some 56 were compelled to return to the Colony.

MERCILESS ATTACK

They told the "China Mail" that Japanese motorboats manned with

FRENCH LOAN

Paris, To-day.
The official result of the recent French national defence loan, for exchange of old short term loans and subscription of new funds for national defence, shows that 4.6 milliards treasury bills were consolidated, and 6 milliards of new money raised.—Trans-Ocean.

machine-gunners, prevented lighters, sampans junks and other transport craft from reaching the Haitan when the ship arrived at Foochow on May 26.

All boats attempting to reach the Douglas vessel were mercilessly machine-gunned, and one passenger stated that several sampans and lighters were sunk by the Japanese. Others were set on fire.

FOUR DAYS IN VAIN

The Haitan stayed at Foochow for four days before giving up the unequal contest.

One story which cannot be confirmed in authoritative quarters, is to the effect that three sampans which reached the Haitan and took on passengers were pursued by Japanese motorboats and machine-gunned.

On May 30, when the Haitan sailed for Chuen Chow with the intention of discharging the cargo at that port, similar tactics were adopted by the Japanese.

This morning, the fares of passengers, who were unable to reach their destinations, were refunded by the shipping company.

CLASH ON MONGOL BORDER REPORTED

Hsinking, To-day.

A new collision between Outer-Mongolian troops on one side and Manchurian and Japanese troops on the other is reported by the Japanese to have occurred yesterday morning.

Bands of Outer-Mongolian troops opened fire on posts held by the Japanese, it is alleged, from positions on the southern Chalcha River, east of Lake Buirnor.

Thereupon, according to the reports in question, Japanese air forces bombarded the position and silenced the fire.

Supplementary information from the frontier zone states that fresh Outer Mongolian troops and, in particular, plane reinforcements, have gathered in the neighbourhood of Tamsk, south of the Chalcha River. These reinforcements are said to have been sent from Ulan Bator, formerly known as Urga.—Trans-Ocean.

BERLIN TURNS OUT EN MASSE FOR PRINCE PAUL

Berlin, To-day.

It is estimated that one million people lined the route from Lehrter station to the Bellevue Palace where Prince Paul and Princess Olga are residing during their sojourn in Berlin.

Brilliant sunshine added to the splendour of the scene as the procession of cars made their way slowly through the streets.

The Prince Regent and the Fuehrer sat side by side in the first car. Princess Olga, wearing a pink dress of light material and a light-toned hat trimmed with ostrich feather, was seated in the second car with Frau Emmy Goering, who wore green cloth and a white hat.

Later in the afternoon the visitors accompanied by the Yugo-Slav Foreign Minister, Dr. Cinciar-Markovitch, Field Marshal Goering and the Chief of Protocol, Baron von Doernberg, drove from the Bellevue Palace to the new Chancellery, where the Royal guests was received by the Fuehrer.—Trans-Ocean.

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BOHEMIA CLOSED TO AIRCRAFT

Berlin, To-day.
Bohemia and Moravia have been declared a "closed zone" for all aircraft by the Nazi Air Minister, Field-Marshal Goering.
This means that until further notice no aeroplane, either commercial or military, may fly over the territory.—Trans-Ocean.

NAZI EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN

Berlin, To-day.
Latest figures issued show that women in Germany are increasing called work outside their homes.

The number now stands at 6,500,000 compared with 4,500,000 in 1932.

More than half are in the clothing industry.—Reuter.

ECONOMIC TALKS AT WHITE HOUSE

Washington, To-day.
President Roosevelt last night met a dozen big businessmen at the White House for discussion of economic problems.

The meeting was held despite

DR. C. T. WANG IN LONDON FROM HONG KONG

LONDON, TO-DAY.

DR. C. T. WANG, FORMER CHINESE AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON, ARRIVED AT CROYDON BY AIR FROM HONG KONG YESTERDAY.

Dr. Wang has come to represent China on the Olympic Games Committee which opens on June 6.

He told Reuter: "The promotion of athletics is now my chief interest."

"Athletics have done wonders for the young generation in China, and I hope the time will come when athletics and playing-fields will be as important to China as England."

STAYING TEN DAYS

Asked whether he had retired altogether from diplomatic life, Dr. Wang replied cheerfully: "I hope so!"

Dr. Wang expects to stay ten days in England and then return to China, though he may possibly visit America.—Reuter.

the President's being abed during the day with sinus cold and a slight fever which resulted in the cancelling of all previous engagements all day.—Reuter.

SILENT DEMONSTRATIONS BY CZECHS

Prague, May 27.
"Silent demonstrations" against the present regime in Bohemia and Moravia are becoming the order of the day. Yesterday again, a large crowd paid its respects to and covered with flowers the tomb of Karel Kramar, former Czech Rightist Anti-German leader, who died two years ago yesterday. Even Kramar's political enemies, who refused to attend his funeral, were present at yesterday's manifestation.—Havas.

DENMARK'S ASSURANCE OF NEUTRALITY

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

THE TERMS OF THE GERMAN-DANISH NON-AGGRESSION PACT SIGNED ON WEDNESDAY WERE MADE PUBLIC YESTERDAY.

They provide that neither party make war nor use any kind of violence against the other, and neither will support action taken against the other by a third party.

The treaty comes into force for ten years after ratification.—Reuter.

FRANCE MOVES ON COLONIES

Paris, To-day.

A Bill to incorporate the mandated ex-German territories of Togoland and the Cameroons in the French Empire, was tabled by the Deputy for French Indo-China yesterday.

The Bill has received considerable backing.

It stipulates that Togoland be attached to French West Africa and the Cameroons to French Equatorial Africa.—Reuter.

ARREST OF LT. COL. SPEAR

London, To-day.

The arrest of Lt.-Col. Spear, British Military Attache in China is confirmed by the War Office.

Negotiations for the release of the Military Attache are going on with the Japanese authorities and the British Government is considering the question of the form to be given to the protest which will be lodged with the Japanese Government against the arrest.—Trans-Ocean.

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"NAZIS ARE UNFIT TO RULE COLONIES"

Survey Of Territorial Problem By Expert Strategic Dangers Of Return

The case against restoring to Germany her former African colonies under existing conditions, though not under any conditions, is presented in a cogent and comprehensive survey of all the relevant factors by Mr. George L. Steer, in a book published under the title "Judgment on German Africa" (Hodder and Stoughton, 12s 6d).

Mr. Steer, who is a South African with an intimate knowledge of his Continent, recently made a special tour of all the ex-German territories.

Mr. Steer's method is to devote a section of his book to each of the three territories concerned—South-West Africa, the Cameroons, and Tanganyika—and to examine systematically in each case the pre-war German administration, the post-war administration under the mandates, and the strategic consequences which would follow from their restoration.

It is no part of Mr. Steer's contention that any colonising race in Africa has been free from reproach in its dealings with the natives, but he submits that none has acted with such ruthless system as pre-war Germany.

"Whatever the reason," he says in his summing up, "there is no African colonial Power that has ever stirred such a storm of resistance as Germany in East and South-West Africa."

"There is also no civilised power which, so late in the history of colonial expansion as the 20th century, used such gross and criminal violence in the suppression of native revolt as Germany did in the Maji-Maji and the Herero wars; except Italy in Libya and Ethiopia" regions of which the author speaks with direct personal knowledge.

Mr. Steer does not suggest that what he calls her "beginner's errors" by any means permanently disqualify Germany from the title to rule in Africa.

NAZI'S ATTITUDE

He renders full justice to the public criticism which was exerted in pre-war Germany by the Press, the missionaries and the Catholic and Socialist parties in the Reichstag, and to the results of this criticism in securing the abatement of the worst excesses and the suppression of offending governors.

But he points out the absence of these safety-valves in present-day totalitarian Germany, and indicates that the Nazis' attitude on native policy conforms rather to the more ruthless than the more humanitarian of their predecessors.

The mandatory system, he gives reasons for believing, has brought "immeasurable" improvements.

He would not, however, restore to Germany her lost colonies even as mandates until she "abandons the theory that colonies exist only to be exploited, and the race phantasm which, displacing science, supports the view that the black man is the serf and the comedian of the white."

In his analysis of the strategic issues involved, Mr. Steer contends

that to surrender the colonies to Germany would be to surrender the means of breaking us as a world Power.

He foresees that it would be impossible to reinforce the Sudan against an Italian invasion from Abyssinia except by air transport from British West Africa across the Sahara.

The cession of the Cameroons to Germany would sever this vital line of communication; it would also intercept the western air route between Great Britain and South Africa, the French air link with Equatorial Africa and the Belgian with the Congo, and threaten the British sea route to the East.

THREAT TO SOUTH AFRICA

A Germany reinstalled in South-West Africa would soon dominate the Union of South Africa from the air, while the pressure she would be able to exert from Tanganyika would constitute a threat sufficient "to bring England to heel on any issue where Germany wished her to be meek."

Mr. Steer concludes that "the reasons why Germany should not to-day be admitted to Africa are not absolute. They refer to a Germany which may pass away; whose own fantastic expenditure on armaments may be her downfall."

AALAND ISLAND POSTPONEMENT

STOCKHOLM, TO-DAY. THAT THE BILL FOR FORTIFICATION OF THE AALAND ISLANDS MAY BE WITHDRAWN, IS SUGGESTED IN PRESS REPORTS.

The difficulties over fortification, owing to Russian objection, it is stated, must be overcome before the question can be discussed by the Swedish Parliament.

Final decision is expected to be taken to-day (Friday). — Trans-Ocean.

PTOMAINE ENDS MASONIC DANCE

Jackson, Miss., May 26. Some 2000 Free Masons suffered from ptomaine poisoning in various degrees to-day following a grand Masonic banquet last night, when they enjoyed a cold buffet of roasts and potato salad. Thirty-two persons had to be taken to hospital, while all had to receive medical attention. One of the men at the banquet stated to-day that the effects of the poisoning were to be seen a short while after the banquet. Couples were dancing when they were "suddenly struck down as though by an invisible hand." — Havas.

JAPAN TO JOIN ALLIANCE?

The local "Lih Pao," leading vernacular tabloid newspaper, states this morning that Japan has decided to join the German-Italian Military Alliance on certain conditions.

The report is claimed to have originated from a foreign source in Shanghai, and was transmitted last night by the paper's special correspondent.

DR. COLIJN RUMOURS

The Hague, To-day.

Reports of the impending resignation of the Premier, Dr. Colijn, which have been circulating during the past few days, still persist.

Although no official information is forthcoming, political circles expect the Premier's resignation at an early date owing to divergencies within the Cabinet. — Trans-Ocean.

NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN TURNS AUTHOR THIS MONTH

London, May 26.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain has turned author at the age of 70, and in June his work, "The Struggle for Peace," will make its first appearance on book stalls throughout the country.

In it, the Premier will outline all his efforts for peace since his accession to the post of Prime Minister in May, 1937. The book covers the period until April, this year, when he gave up his appeasement policy and concluded a mutual aid agreement with Poland.

In a brief preface, contents of which were revealed to-day, Mr. Chamberlain affirms British determination not to give way before any state's attempt to dominate others by force.

He writes, "Let no one suppose that resistance to such claims (to domination) would involve denial of any nation's right to put forward its principles or its desires and have them examined by others in a spirit of understanding and

TOKYO REPORTS ON MONGOLIA AIR ACTIVITY

Tokyo, To-day.

Japanese planes were again in action on the Outer Mongol frontier, according to press despatches.

Japanese bombers claim to have silenced the Outer Mongol forces south of the River Khalha, which is described as marking the frontier.

The despatches add that Outer Mongol planes are apparently massing at Tamsk, south of the River Khalha. — Reuter.

POWERS OF NEW MINISTRY OF SUPPLY

London, To-day.

The wide powers accorded the Ministry of Supply and outlined by Mr. Neville Chamberlain on April 20 are explained in detail in a White Paper issued yesterday.

The White Paper adds that certain War Office functions carried out on an agency basis for the Admiralty, Air Ministry and Civil departments are also to be transferred to the Ministry of Supply. — Reuter.

"I admit frankly that during the last 20 years, there have been faults and failures in this direction and that at least some of our present troubles might have been avoided if greater wisdom had been shown at an earlier stage."

"But I believe that the lessons to be learned from these failures have not been unnoticed and that the world is weary of perpetual excursions and alarms and would to-day gladly join in a new effort to rule itself more wisely if it were given the chance."

Referring to his personal efforts to achieve world peace, he also writes, "The last six months have deeply impressed my mind with the intense desire for the preservation of peace existing among the peoples of every country."

"My efforts have been mocked by some and denounced by others, but I believe that by the majority they have been approved and that if peace has not yet been securely established, we have at any rate so far escaped the calamity of war."

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"AN EARLY AND SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT BY GOVERNMENT REGARDING EXPIRING CROWN LEASES WOULD APPEAR EMINENTLY DESIRABLE," BY MR. J. D. HUMPHREYS, CHAIRMAN, AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED, HELD AT 11 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING IN THE HONG KONG HOTEL.

Presenting the annual report, the chairman said:—

SERVICEMEN IN COURT: WANCHAI AFFAIR SEQUEL

Seven British seamen and two British soldiers were charged at the Central Magistracy this morning with maliciously damaging goods and property in the Ying King restaurant between 9 p.m. on Wednesday and 6 a.m. yesterday.

Extent of damage is claimed to be \$80.

The accused are:

Frank Standish, 24, of H.M.S. Dorsetshire;
Thomas Stewart, 21, of H.M.S. Duncan;
Vincent Cyril Wilfred Leslie Norman Wright, 33, of H.M.S. Duncan;
Albert Hawkes, 21, of H.M.S. Duncan;
David Charles Sullivan 26, of H.M.S. Duncan;
Percival Herbert McCall 26, of H.M.S. Duncan;
Percy Morrissey, 40, of H.M.S. Proteus;
William Crookshank, 46, of the Royal Scots; and
John Stevenson, 23, of the Royal Scots.

A more serious charge is being preferred against the two last accused.

They are being accused of having conspired to prepare a witness, Lo Kwai-ying, prostitute.

The case is being heard by Mr. Forrest.

ONE PLEADS GUILTY

Stevenson is not charged with causing damage, but merely with association with Crookshank and a man not in custody, whose name was given as McNally, with conspiring to prepare a witness.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada Remedios, Jun. is defending second, third fourth, fifth and sixth accused.

All except Crookshanks pleaded not guilty. Crookshanks pleaded guilty.

June 5 and 7 were fixed for hearing.

Det. Sgt. Cashman asked that Stevenson and Crookshanks be remanded in custody, but bail of \$100 each was allowed.

The naval men were all remanded in naval custody.

Mr. Forrest warned all concerned that the Court would not tolerate any interference with witnesses.

The profit for the year at \$40,046.37 is the best since 1934 and shows an increase of \$9,519.80 over last year, which, I think, can be considered satisfactory, and which justifies the increase of 1 per cent. in dividend as recommended by your directors.

As a matter of statistical interest to shareholders I would like to mention that 22,038 more passengers were carried up and down in the trams than in the previous year, making a total of 1,064,735 transients. Traffic receipts and rents show an increase of \$3,806.27 and \$2,345.18 respectively, and had it not been for the inclement weather experienced during March and April, a larger increase would have been recorded under the former account.

With the ever-increasing use of motor cars, we are more, and more, dependent upon casual traffic and tourists, in which sources of revenue the weather plays a prominent part. As an extra inducement to this type of traffic the cheap return tickets issued on Sundays have now been extended to include Saturdays and public holidays.

GOVERNMENT REFUSAL

A further encouragement, no doubt, would be a small cafe at the Peak where refreshments could be obtained, and our delectable scenery viewed at leisure. Since the closing of the Peak Hotel, visitors have not been catered for in this respect. It is interesting to recall that some two years ago, we submitted plans to Government for a small cafe to be built above our present workshop.

Although the plans were approved, Government refused to renew the Crown Lease of the site which, at that time, had only eleven years to run. In view of Government's attitude we were reluctantly compelled to drop the scheme. An early and satisfactory settlement by Government regarding expiring Crown Leases would appear eminently desirable.

From the balance sheet you will note that the overdraft with our bankers has been reduced by \$34,003.25. Permanent way, should the proposed allocation of profits meet with your approval, will stand in at the round figure of three lakhs.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

There being no questions, resolutions were then passed adopting the report and accounts; allocating out of \$62,885.84 available for distribution \$15,000 on a 6 per cent. dividend on 25,000 shares, \$15,000 on a 6 per cent. dividend on 50,000 \$5 shares, \$10,000 writing off permanent way, and carrying forward \$22,885.84; re-electing Sir Robert Ho Tung and Messrs. J. Scott Harston, L. Kadoorie, H. V. Wilkinson and D. L. Newbigging as directors; and re-electing Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis auditors at an annual remuneration of \$350 each.

SUSPECT CAUGHT

Charged with possession of a file for an unlawful purpose, Liu Kwan, 24, was this morning fined \$20 or seven weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth.

Accused was arrested in front of the Portland Theatre at 8.30 p.m. yesterday with the file tucked under his girdle and a packet of pepper in his lower jacket pocket.

LARD THEFT

Sentence of four weeks' hard labour was imposed on Mok Ming-fong, 29, by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for the theft of 28 cabbies of lard from a motor lorry. Defendant took a tin of lard from the lorry at the Tai Hing wharf yesterday morning.

BRITAIN'S NEW CRACK HIGH SPEED BOMBER: TO BE BUILT IN AUSTRALIA

London, To-day.

Britain now possesses the fastest twin-engined bomber in the world, according to the Society of British Aircraft Constructors.

The machine is the Bristol Beaufort monoplane, and an official of the Society stated that its speed, considerably higher than the 295 miles an hour attainable by the Bristol Blenheim, hitherto the fastest bomber in the Royal Air Force, justifies the claim that the new Bristol Beaufort monoplane is the fastest twin-engined bomber yet in service in any country.

The official added that in addition to large production in England the Beaufort is to be built in Australia, where new aircraft arsenals will provide aeroplanes to re-equip selected squadrons of the Royal Australian Air Force and the Far East command of the R.A.F.

In the event of war, Britain's air squadrons at Singapore and points east would not be entirely dependent on home factories for essential supplies.—Reuter.

REMARKABLE RECRUITING FIGURES

London, To-day.

Recruiting figures for the Territorial Army still show weekly gains, though as units fill up and brigades go off to camp the rate of recruiting must necessarily slow down.

Since April 1, 152,920 officers and men have joined the field force alone, bringing the total present estimated strength of that portion of the Territorial Army to 87 per cent. of its complete new establishment.

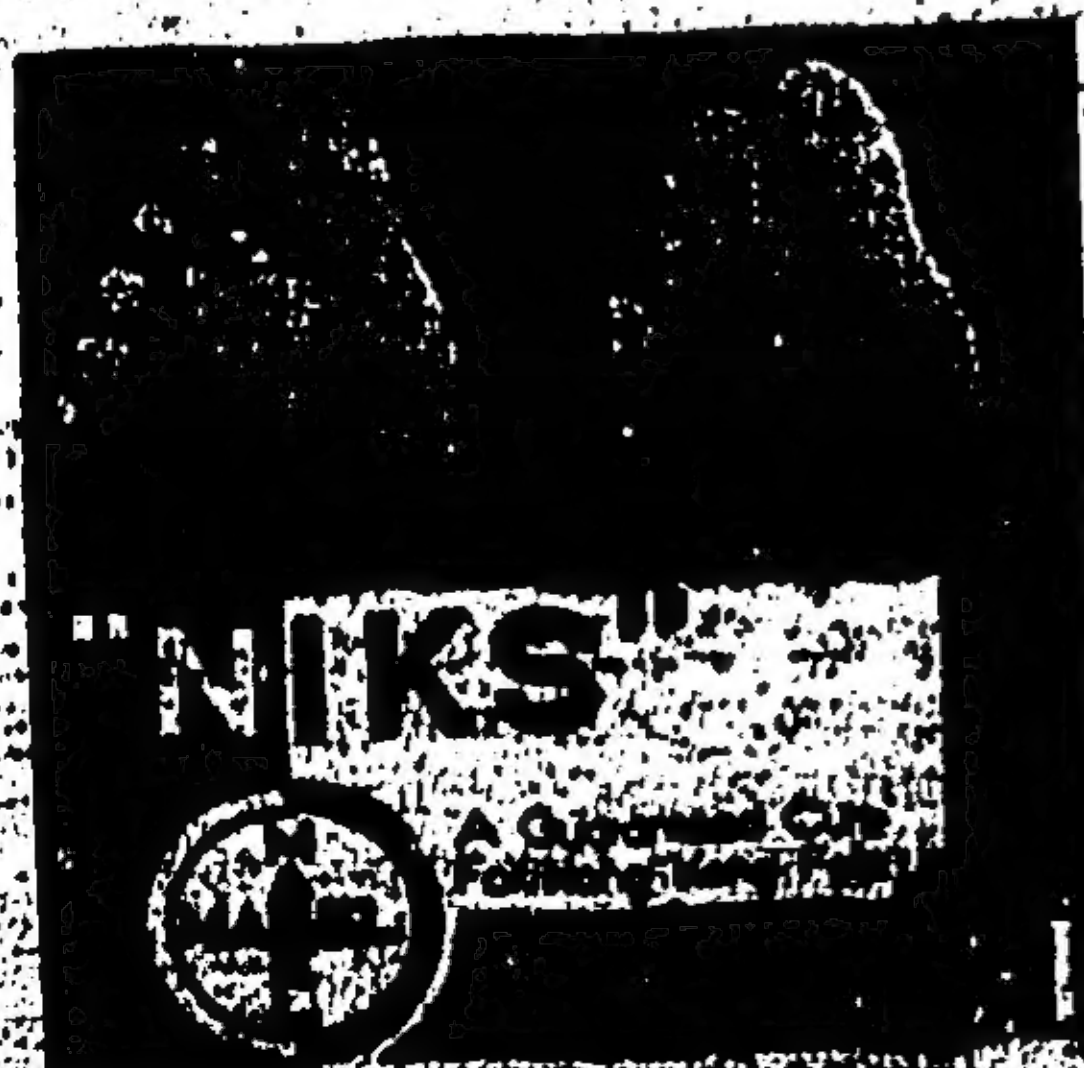
Over a large part of the country and in most arms, the Territorial Army has almost completed its task of coming to war establishment and then doubling its numbers—a wonderful achievement in nine weeks.—British Wireless.

PRESSURE ON GUILDER

New York, To-day.

A feature of the foreign exchange market yesterday was a drop in the guilder due to the threatened Dutch Cabinet crisis.

Sterling, however, was not adversely affected by M. Molotov's speech, and the optimistic Paris press view resulted in a general improvement.—Reuter.



IMP. AIRWAYS TO HAVE ITS OWN STATION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

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Passengers on European air routes will be transported to and from Croydon in motor coaches operating into and out of a special coach station on another part of the terminal premises.—British Wireless.

LABOUR PARTY'S CHAIRMAN

London, To-day.

The new National Executive of the Labour Party elected at the Southport Conference held its first meeting in London yesterday and appointed as Chairman, Mrs. Barbara Ayrton Gould, who has been active in political and social work since 1912 and a member of the Executive for several years.

Mrs. Gould, who was Vice-Chairman last year, is the widow of the poet and critic, Gerald Gould.—British Wireless.

ANNAM EMPEROR ON RIVIERA

Marseilles, To-day.—The Emperor of Annam has arrived for a short holiday on the Riviera. The Emperor walked with a stick, following the triple fracture of a leg on a hunting expedition some months ago.—Reuter.

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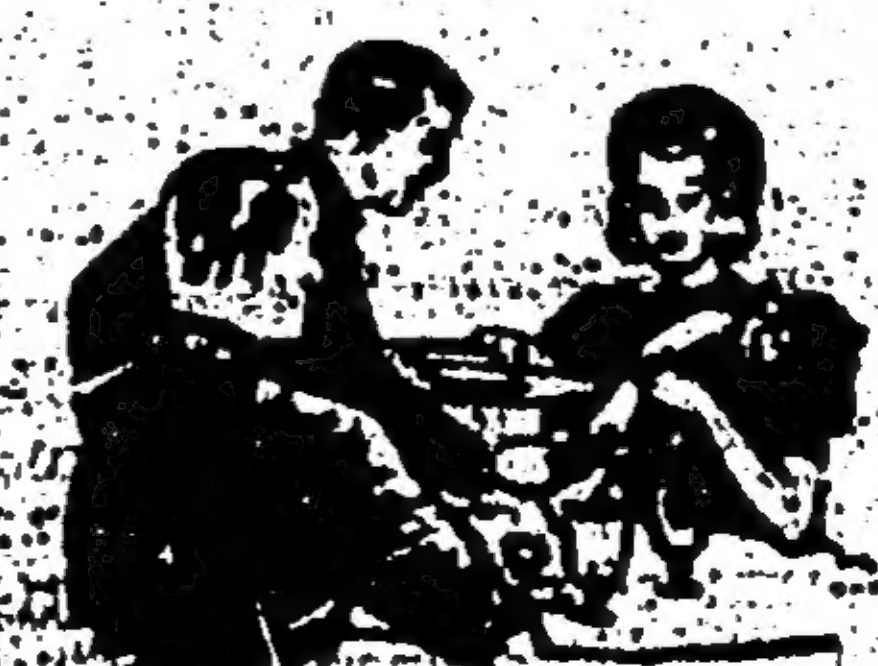
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TUE: Marx Bros. in Fastest Riot "A DAY AT THE RACES"
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DR. KOO ON THE OPEN DOOR

Paris, To-day.

Addressing a luncheon gathering of the American Club in Paris yesterday, Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Ambassador, to France, said that China was bound by necessity to adhere to the policy of the Open Door in her commercial relations with other Powers.

He also dealt with the situation in Manchuria and cited figures showing that since the Japanese occupation, foreign Powers were

'BIBLE SCRUTATORS' TRIED

Berlin, May 27.

A monster trial started in Danzig to-day involving nineteen women and seventeen men charged with being members of the society known as the "Scrutators of the Bible" banned in Germany since 1937, the Danziger Vorposten announced this morning. —Havas.

having to face growing difficulties in their trade with that country. —Trans-Ocean.

THREE-POWER COOPERATION ON SETTLEMENTS: MR. JOHNSON RETICENT

The American authorities in both Shanghai and Amoy will probably act in full co-operation and conjunction with the British and French authorities in any matters involving the status of the foreign settlements in either port, Mr. Nelson Trusler Johnson, the American Ambassador to China told the "China Mail" in an exclusive interview shortly after he arrived in the s.s. Empress of Canada this morning from Shanghai.

Mr. Johnson was here expressing his own personal opinion, he said, and beyond this he refused to go any further. With a smile, he said that he did not think there was "anything useful" he could say.

Asked about the Yangtze River, he again smiled and said that he would prefer not to say anything further at the moment.

Mr. Johnson left China last December and has just returned from a somewhat busy holiday. He arrived in Shanghai a few days ago, and is to sail for Haiphong in the Indo-China s.s. Yusang to-morrow, from Haiphong he will proceed via Kunming to Chungking.

He was unable to say how long he would be staying in Chungking, but expected to be in China's wartime capital "for quite some time." The American Embassy buildings, which have been occupied by members of his staff since last August, are on the south bank of the river, on the other side to the British Embassy buildings which were bombed in recent Japanese air-raids on Chungking.

PARAGUAY PROTEST TO SPAIN

Asuncion, May 26.

A protest against the arrest of the Paraguayan Charge d'Affaires in Spain, Senor Jose Angulo, was telegraphed to-day to General Francisco Gomez Jordana, Spanish Foreign Minister, by Colonel Ayala, Paraguayan Foreign Minister.

Col. Ayala pointed out that Senor Angulo had been admitted as a diplomatic representative on April 18 in Burgos. And he expressed "astonishment over the violation of diplomatic immunity."

The Foreign Minister also demanded that the arrested man be set at liberty and that reasons be given for the diplomat's apprehension. —Havas.

Danish Explanation Of Non-Aggression Pact Decision

Copenhagen, To-day.

The non-aggression pact between Germany and Denmark was presented yesterday for ratification.

The Foreign Minister, Dr. Peter Munch, said that the Danish Government's acceptance of the proposed pact was due to Denmark's desire to remain neutral in the event of war between Germany and any other power.

Denmark's policy of absolute neutrality towards any group of powers had been unanimously approved by Danish public opinion and it was the Danish Government's aim to strengthen the relations of mutual confidence existing between Denmark and all powers.

After recalling that Sweden, Norway, Finland had declined Germany's offer to conclude bilateral non-aggression pacts, Dr. Munch said that all four northern countries, at the recent Stockholm conference, solemnly reaffirmed their absolute neutrality.

Although the hope entertained by the Danish Government that the

four countries would be able to send identical replies to Berlin, had not been fulfilled, nevertheless the Swedish, Norwegian and Finnish Governments had fully appreciated the reasons which had inspired Denmark's decision to accept the German proposal.

The pact, which was in entire harmony with the policy long pursued by Denmark, would, in the view of the Danish Government, be of great value under the existing circumstances. The speaker concluded with the expression of hope that the pact would find the unanimous support of the Folketing. —Trans-Ocean.

British Submarine Disaster Feared

FAILS TO COME UP AFTER A DIVE

One Hundred Men On Board

London, To-day.

Anxiety was being felt in London last night over the fate of the new British submarine Thetis.

After diving during her trials off Birkenhead yesterday she has not been seen again.

Thetis was reported "a few hours overdue," and it was announced that the Admiralty are "taking all possible steps."

Cammell Laird's, builders of the submarine, stated she has on board 20 members of their staff and a number of Admiralty experts.

The submarine left Cammell Laird's yard at 10 o'clock yesterday morning accompanied by a tug.

"SOMETHING AMISS"

It is understood that the Admiralty later received a message from the tug that something was amiss.

All warships in the vicinity have been sent to the scene to join in the hunt, and other naval boats within a reasonable radius are dashing to the spot.

Thetis was commissioned at Portland on March 4. She has a service complement of 53 officers and men and is 265 feet in length and has a tonnage of between 1,000 and 1,500.

She carries one 4-inch gun and six torpedo tubes and has a speed of over 15 knots. She cost £350,000.

DAVIS ESCAPE APPARATUS

Every submarine in the Royal Navy since the Poseidon disaster in Chinese waters off Weihaiwei has been fitted with two specially constructed escape hatches by which in an emergency the crew may escape through airlocks.

Sufficient sets of Davis submerged escape apparatus, supplying oxygen, are provided in every submarine for every member of the crew.

In addition, every submarine is fitted with two special indicator buoys which can be released from the inside and come to the surface to show the submarine's position to surface craft.

AT LEAST 57 ON BOARD

An Admiralty statement issued at 11 o'clock last night said: "The Admiralty regrets to announce that the submarine Thetis, which was carrying out acceptance trials in Liverpool Bay, dived at 1.40 p.m. and has failed to appear."

"She is manned by a naval crew of five officers and 48 ratings, and there were also four other officers on board and certain of the builders' technicians, the exact number of whom is not yet known."

AIR PATROLS

"His Majesty's warships are now in the position where the submarine was last reported. Air patrols organised by the R.A.F. were carried out before dark and will resume operations at daylight to-morrow."

"The 6th Destroyer Flotilla, the 1st Minesweeper Flotilla, submarines and H.M.S. Belfast are proceeding at full speed to render all assistance possible."

"Captain I.A.P. MacIntyre, Chief of Staff to the Rear-Admiral, Submarines, has proceeded in H.M.S. Winchelsea to take charge of operations."—Reuter.

3-HOUR MANOEUVRE

London, To-day.

Before diving, the Thetis carried out a number of surface evolutions successfully.

The submarine dived at 1.30 for an underwater manoeuvre which was to last three hours, but did not come to the surface at 4.30, when she should have appeared.

An Admiralty statement issued at midnight says that five officers and 48 men were on board, while a statement by Cammell Laird's says that 30 employees of the yard were in the submarine.

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT

According to the Admiralty the submarine is believed to be at a depth of 22 fathoms. The Cammell Laird tug, Vigilant, is still near the spot where the submarine submerged, while the destroyer H.M.S. Brazen has reached the approximate spot where the submarine had last been located.

The destroyers which are dashing to the scene are of the Tribal class and are equipped with special apparatus for locating the wreck. Other units are proceeding to the spot from Weymouth.

Part of the crews of these warships were on shore leave and were recalled by announcements thrown on cinema screens.

IN LIVERPOOL BAY?

An Admiralty announcement says the rescue warships are all equipped with the most up to date submarine salvage equipment, some of which

OTHER BRITISH SUBMARINE TRAGEDIES

Disasters to submarines of the Royal Navy since the Great War have taken a toll of 218 lives.

The full list is as follows:

Submarine L-24 sunk off Portland on January 10, 1924, in collision with the battleship Resolute, with a loss of 48 lives.

Submarine M-1 sunk in collision in the English Channel on November 11, 1925. Dead totalled 69.

Submarine H-47 in collision with sister submarine L-12 on July 9, 1929, when 21 were lost.

Submarine Poseidon sunk in collision with Chinese steamer Yuta off Weihaiwei on June 9, 1931, with a loss of 20 lives. This was the first occasion when the Davis escape apparatus was successfully used.

Submarine M-2 sunk off Portland Bill on January 26, 1932, with a loss of 60 of her crew.

has never been tested in a real emergency, and up to now has been kept a secret.

At midnight it was stated at the Admiralty that it was believed the submarine was in Liverpool Bay about 15 miles east of Holyhead.

A radio message from the tug Vigilant said that the submarine had probably covered 25 miles below the surface, and the tug expected it would be three hours before she reached the scene of the accident.

SAFE FOR 35 HOURS

The Admiralty believes the submarine can remain under water for about 35 hours.

The Thetis belongs to the "Triton" class and was launched on June 29 last year as the second submarine of this class built at the order of the Admiralty placed in 1936.

Construction, however, was only begun on December 21, 1936.

The submarine's speed is stated to be 25.9 knots on the surface and 15 submerged.

"UNTOWARD INCIDENT"

The Navy List designates the Triton type as a "patrol type for general service."

First news of the disaster came to Cammell Laird's in a telegram from the Admiralty at 9.45 last night stating it was believed some untoward incident had occurred. — Trans-Ocean.

MISHAP THEORY

London, To-day.

It is now understood that altogether there are 100 men on board Thetis. If so, the submarine has sufficient air to remain submerged for 36 hours.

Thetis is believed to have sunk in 22 fathoms, but the exact position is not yet known and every effort is being made to locate her. Officials fear Thetis may have struck a submerged object which

ESPIONAGE IN AMERICA

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY. THERE IS A GREAT DEAL MORE ESPIONAGE ON THE WEST COAST OF THE UNITED STATES THAN EVER BEFORE, ACCORDING TO MR. MURPHY, ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Mr. Murphy announced yesterday that the Department of Justice is tightening up counter-espionage activities on the West Coast, where a number of military and naval aviation bases have made special vigilance necessary. — Reuter.

YEN SLUMP

Shanghai, To-day.

The yen displayed further weakness this morning, buyers paying as low as 93 National cents. — Reuter.

has put her electrical equipment out of action, as there are several wrecks in the vicinity of the spot where she dived. — Reuter.

LOCATED

London, To-day.

It has just been announced at the offices of Cammell Laird's at Birkenhead that Thetis has been located.

The secretary of the company told the waiting crowd of relatives and friends of the men on board and a burst of cheering rang out, with cries of "Thank goodness, at least that's something."

The secretary told Reuter the submarine was located by means of a mark bomb dropped from an aeroplane.

"I cannot tell you the position of the vessel," he added.

Twenty-one warships besides other surface craft, have been converging on Liverpool Bay in order to scour a wide area, using searchlights and flares.

Amateur wireless operators listening on short-wave sets state that last night they heard salvage boat messages to the effect that the position of the submarine was seven miles from the Mersey Bar, lying in 30 fathoms of water.

This meant that the sunken craft is about 25 miles from Liverpool, nearer the port than was thought. — Reuter.

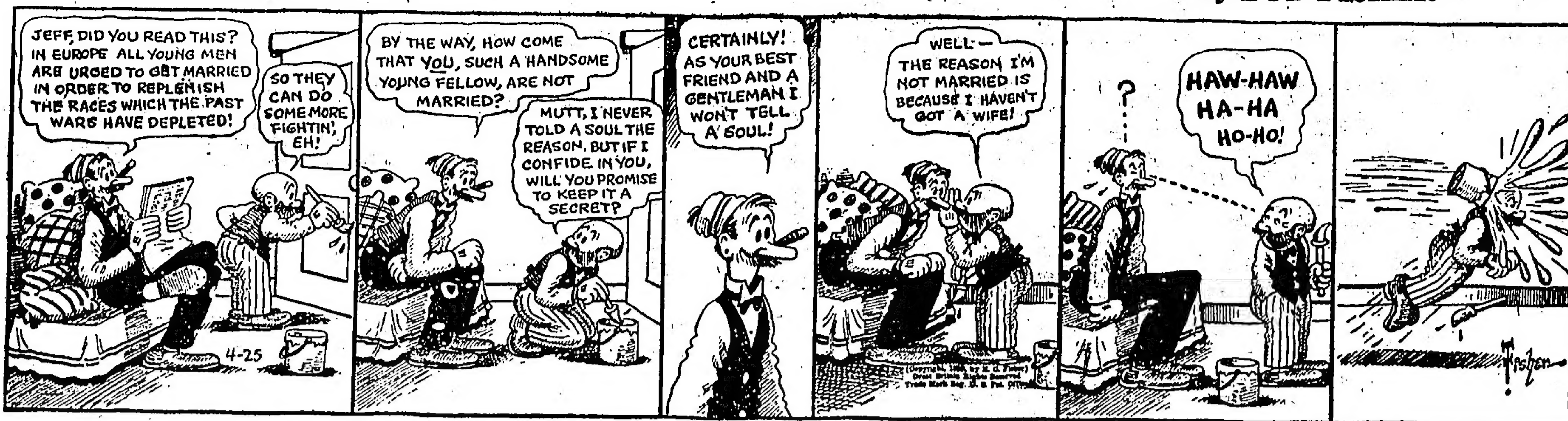
THE OFFICERS

According to the April Navy List, Thetis is commanded by Lieutenant-Commander G. H. Bolus.

Other officers on board are believed to be Lt. H. Chapman, Lt. F. G. Woods, Lt. W. A. W. Poland and Engineer-Commander R. D. Glen.

MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



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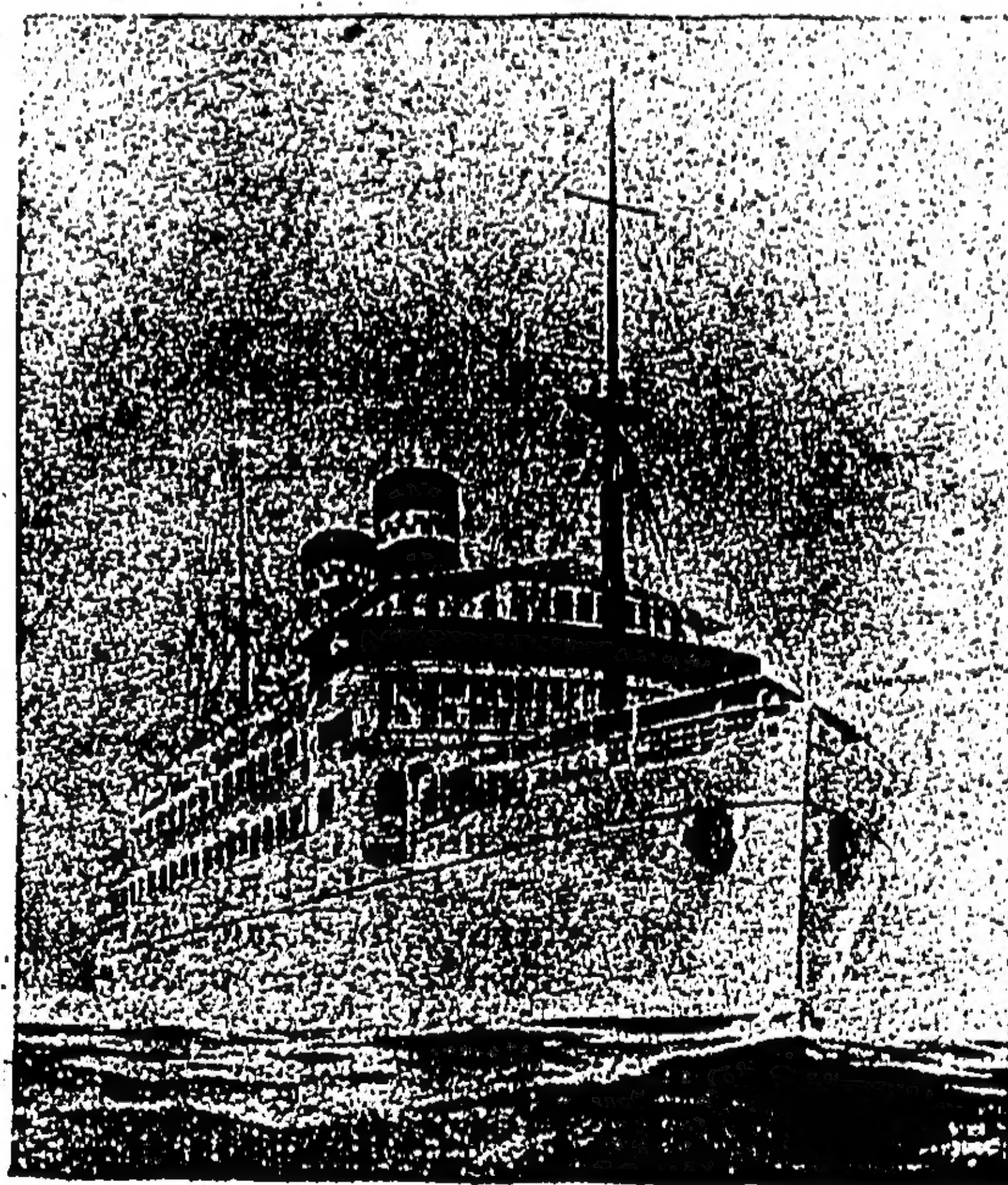
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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

MIKE'S LUCK

Mike had no money. He needed it to keep himself out of jail. The only way he knew of keeping out of jail was to go back home so he wouldn't get picked up for being a vagrant.

He shouldn't have come to Florida in the first place, but he had figured it would be much more pleasant being unemployed in Florida during the winter than it would in Philadelphia. Beside, he didn't own a winter overcoat. Then, too, he figured he might be able to get work in Florida because of all the tourists down there.

He almost starved bumming his way down, but the day he landed in St. Augustine there was a cold wave and he got a job carrying oil in buckets to fill the smudge pots in citrus groves.

Gradually he worked his way south toward Miami, living off of fruit mostly and sleeping in the open. He knocked around Miami looking for work. Once he washed dishes for a meal. He saw cops looking at him queerly. He felt self-conscious. Some day soon a cop would start asking questions. Then where would he be? He'd heard unpleasant stories about the way cops treated vagrants in Florida. He began to get scared.

Then fire started in the Everglades. He was passing a fire station and a chap called to him and asked if he wanted a job fighting a fire at thirty cents an hour? Mike said he did. A fire-fighting job couldn't last very long,

shoes and socks and underwear. He had more than nine dollars left. It was so long since he'd had any money he didn't know what to do with it. Then he remembered a bookie he'd seen operating, and he went there and gave the bookie the money and told him what horses to bet on for him. Mike knew horses pretty well.

That night he went back to the road camp. All the next week he worked, and on Saturday he returned to town. The bookie landed him \$43.50. Mike thumbed through the money. It looked like his luck was running good. He added ten dollars from his weekly pay to the \$43.50 and gave it to the bookie. The next week when he came in the bookie had \$213.13 ready for him.

Mike looked at the money. There were two 13s in the sum. It was easy money and it was a great temptation to try and build it up. But two 13s were bad. So he stuck the money in his overalls pocket.

That night when he returned to the camp there was no smoke on the horizon. They told him the fire was out. Two days later he was laid off.

He counted up his capital. He had \$241.50. He felt good. He wasn't hungry. He felt brown and strong. He went in town and bought himself a good looking suit of clothes. He hired a room and took a bath and shaved and put on his new clothes.

By Stanley Cordell

but even if it paid him only thirty cents he could eat.

He rode out on a truck with two white men and three Negroes. There was a camp set up on a road far off the main highways. Smoke hung on the horizon.

They gave Mike a shovel. A man with a big white hat who was the boss told him where to dig. They started to dig and by six o'clock they had made a ditch, curving slightly north and south, about three feet deep. Then they went back to the camp and two long tables were spread with food. They sat down and ate. No food ever tasted better to Mike.

After supper they sat around and talked for a while, then they crawled in beneath a canvas shelter and went to sleep. The big man woke them before daylight. Mike felt stiff and sore, but the food smelled good. He ate as much as he could because he figured this job wouldn't last very long.

They went out and began on the ditch again. They worked all morning and it was hot and flies buzzed and Mike's back ached. But he kept on working. At noon they stopped and ate again and lay around awhile. The smoke was still thick in the distance.

A Negro told Mike that the decayed stuff of the Everglades got so dried out sometimes that it would burn. A fire would get going underneath the ground and burn for weeks or maybe months. The only way to stop it was to dig a ditch around the entire area and fill it up with water.

"How long do you figure this job will last?" Mike asked.

"Maybe a month," the Negro said. Mike couldn't believe it. It seemed too good to be true. At the end of a week he was given \$14.40. It seemed like a dream.

Mike rode in town on the truck. He bought himself some new overalls and

Then he went out. The sun was shining brightly. It was warm and clear. He walked around for awhile and tried to think what he could do. He could go back north and buy into the filling station that Joe Dayton owned on the northern pike. That would assure him of a steady thirty dollars a week. If he was careful and saved he might get a station of his own in a couple of years.

Then he began thinking about the horses. He knew horses. He'd always followed the races. A smart man ought to be able to turn a couple of hundred dollars into a thousand in no time. Then he remembered the two 13s that had turned up. That was bad, he thought.

Mike sat down on a park bench and tried to work it out. First he decided to go north, then he decided to try the horses. A man sat down beside him and tried to engage him in conversation, but Mike paid no attention, and after awhile the man got up and went away. It got late. Finally Mike came to a decision. He'd toss a coin. Tails he'd go north. Heads he'd try the races.

He reached into his pocket for a coin, but the pocket was empty. All his pockets were empty. Mike remembered that the man who had tried to engage him in conversation had left hurriedly. A crooked smile came to Mike's face. "It's those 13s," he thought. "Two 13s at once is bad." (Copyright, 1939, By The Associated Newspapers.)

The public of Kowloon are reminded that a course of A.R.P. lectures to be given in English by Mr. S. V. Boxer, B.Sc., at St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on Tuesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. commences this evening.

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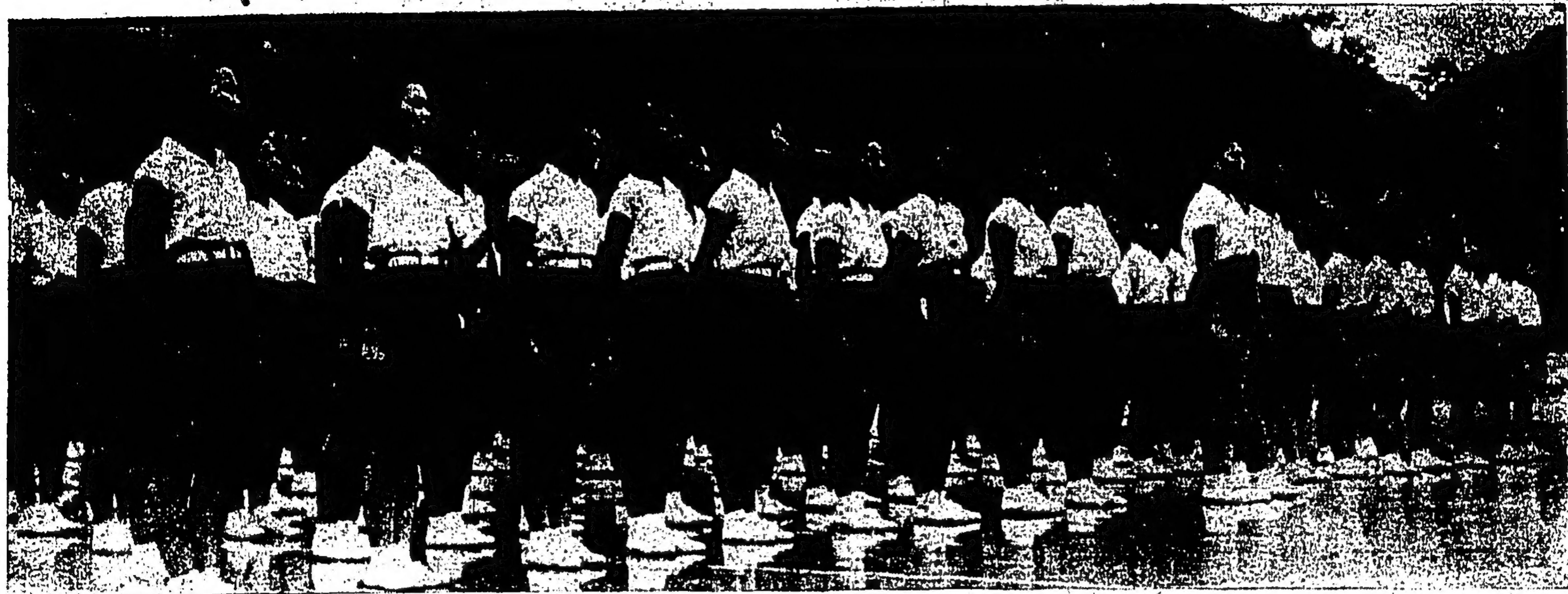
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THE STAMP COLLECTOR'S CORNER

By Muriel Nissen

BELGIAN RED CROSS ITEMS

THE 75th anniversary of the founding of the International Red Cross Society is being observed by numerous stamp issues this year. By far the most extensive and attractive of these items is the eight value set scheduled for early release by Belgium. This issue would win acclaim on the merits of the Royal Family portraits it presents, if for no other reason. The postal presentations of this family have always been in our estimation the most beautiful groupings to be found in philately, and the items appearing in the new series are the most attractive of all.

A portrait of Henri Dunant appears on the lowest value, which is 10 plus 5 centimes. A lovely likeness of Florence Nightingale is presented on the 30 plus 5c. The royal children, Prince Baudouin, the heir

apparent, now aged 8, Princess Charlotte, aged 12, and the five year old Prince Albert are pictured with their grandmother, Queen Elizabeth, on the 40 plus 5c and 1Fr. plus 25c values. King Leopold III, with his children, appears on the 75c plus 5c and 1Fr. 75 plus 25c stamps. A portrait of the late Queen Astrid is featured on the 2Fr. 50 plus 2Fr. 50 value and the 5Fr. pictures Queen Elizabeth ministering at the bedside of a wounded soldier.

STAMPS FROM THE ARGENTINE

A SPLENDID item for specialists in stamp ship lore is the new adhesive from the Argentine Republic which pictures the frigate President Sarmiento, a naval training school since 1899. The stamp is issued to commemorate the final voyage of the ship, which made 39 voyages around the world and travelled

about three million miles. The adhesive has a value of 5 centavos and is printed in red.

STAMPS FROM JUGOSLAVIA

THE various modes of mail transportation have always proved a popular, and most appropriate, design for postage paper. The latest additions to this category come from Yugoslavia and consist of five values in a semi-postal issue, surtax of which is to be used for the benevolent association of railway employees.



Following the sequence we have mail delivery by pony riders on the 0.50 dinar plus 0.50d yellow and brown. Rural mail delivery by horse and wagon is depicted on the 1d plus 1d, printed in red. On the 1.50 plus 1.50, orange-red, we have mail delivery by train while bus is the means employed on the 2d plus 2d, red-purple. The modern transport of mail by plane is honoured on the 4d plus 4d, slate-blue value.

ISSUE FROM COLOMBIA

THE Republic of Colombia has released a set of six stamps, briefly described as follows: 1 centavo dark green, portrait of Simon Bolivar; 5c red-brown, scene at coffee plantation; 15c dark blue, Colombian Coat-of-arms; 30c slate, portrait of Christopher Columbus; 30c olive, likeness of former President Caldas; 40c brown, railroad station.

STAMP NOTES AT LARGE

A portrait of Queen Maud of Norway, who died on November 29 last, is expected to appear shortly on a charity set to be issued by Norway.

The centenary of the Dutch railways will be honoured this fall in a special set issued by the Netherlands.

Newfoundland will honour the visit of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth with the issue of a 5-cent stamp containing portraits of the rulers.

An Italian stamp for parcel post has appeared in the 5 centesimi value, printed in light brown. The same stamp is to be used in Italian Somaliland with the overprint, "Somalia Italiana".

STAMP TEASERS

1. Can you locate the Iskar River, geographically and philatelically?
2. What poet is described on a stamp honouring him as "He who is above the others as the eagle flies"?
3. Two funeral candles form the frame for a portrait on what stamp?
4. What warrior is honoured on a set of seven stamps, each of which bears the name of a battle in which he won glory?
5. What country pictures Trondhjem Cathedral on its postage paper?

LAST WEEK'S QUIZ

1. Gediminas, a Grand Duke prominent in the early history of Lithuania, is portrayed on a stamp of that country, issued in 1920.
2. The Netherlands, in 1924, issued a stamp set for the benefit of a Lifeboat Society.
3. On a New Zealand adhesive of 1901 an angel is seen summoning troops.
4. The Falkland Islands, in 1933, issued a stamp picturing a whaling vessel.
5. Generals Montcalm and Wolf, opposing generals at the battle of Quebec in 1759, appear together on a Canadian stamp issued in 1908.

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'Life Is Such A Joke'

(Continued from Page 1)

furious with Claire for putting him into a false position. He resented the unnecessary anxiety he had suffered, and at the back of it all he was worrying lest Claire should be uncomfortable, and unhappy. He seemed to have forgotten that before her marriage she had kept herself, not in luxury, but certainly in necessities.

"The girl's crazy," he said to her mother, and the retort came back, "You've driven her to it!"

Much as he would have liked to cut adrift from Mrs. Grey entirely, Max had to keep in touch with her. It was only through her mother that he could hope to hear any news of Claire. It seemed within the bounds of possibility that there would come a time when she would write to Mrs. Grey or come to see her. A girl didn't disappear from the ken of her family just because her marriage was not a success.

For a good many weeks he comforted himself with this thought. Claire was in a huff and would get over it: she had been shocked by his desire to separate from her, and when she came to think it over reasonably she would see that it was the only thing to do, but that it should have been done in a sane and practical manner.

He left the house, and moved into a service flat. Every week he conscientiously put aside the three pounds he had promised Claire, but still no word came from her. The service flat was efficient, but impersonal and unhomely. He liked the meticulous way it was run, but hated his evenings there quite alone.

He had been used to Claire's jokes and laughter, whether things were going ill or well, and supposed that it took a long time to break a habit. Presently, he thought, he would begin to appreciate his freedom, and the fact that he could be as tidy and methodical as he liked without Claire laughing at what she called his 'funny little old maidish ways.' Just now it seemed rather odd to come back to his room and find the desk precisely as he had left it: to sit down every Wednesday evening and go through his personal accounts without finding that Claire had helped herself to some of his loose cash because she had seen 'such a darling green flower-bowl.' When he paid his bills on Saturday, he was surprised to find how much surplus there was to swell the banking account. He had often been angry with Claire for her extravagance, but even he hadn't realised what a lot of money had gone on what he called 'frilleries.' So the deposit account increased, because there was really nothing on which he cared to spend the money.

As the days began to lengthen, and the sun to shine with spring warmth, his life settled into a steady routine, and he took to walking part of the way home through the park, every evening.

That was where Claire caught a glimpse of him, before she hid herself behind a tree.

She had been desperately tired, and her paleness had so alarmed Lucinda that she had insisted on Claire going out for a breath of fresh air. "Don't you pore over these accounts any longer," she

said. "You don't look yourself, my dear."

After she had seen Max, she went back to the shop with an aching heart. It had been a fearful temptation to rush out and speak to him, to beg him to let her try again, to tell him of the burden of responsibility she carried and ask him to share it with her.

Lucinda had been very good to her, and she did her best in return not to be a wet blanket in the shop. Now that she could no longer serve the customers, she had changed places with the girl who looked after the books.

"I feel better for that," she said brightly, as she hurried into her tiny office, wondering if she could get through the rest of her work without breaking into a storm of tears. "The park is beginning to look lovely: crocuses under the trees, and snowdrops, and all the trees so fresh with new leaves."

Lucinda saw the look of strain behind her cheerfulness, and shook her head. She was worried about Claire, and angry with her obstinacy. The salesgirl caught her look.

"Miss Claire's got pluck," she said. "Never knew such a gay person, and she can't be feeling too good now. Nothing seems to get her down, she can always find something to laugh at."

Lucinda scowled. "Precious little that's funny in her life," she answered. "I'm worried. I think she's very ill. Last time she went to the hospital, I was with her. I didn't like the look on the specialist's face at all. It wasn't what he said, but what he didn't say that worried me."

"I could do some of her work after hours," offered the girl. "She ought to get all the rest she can."

"Thanks, Mary. We'll try to get her away early, but you know what she is."

The following week, Claire collapsed at her work. Lucinda phoned the hospital, left the shop to Mary, and went off in the ambulance with Claire. When he had examined her, the specialist came to Lucinda. "We're going to operate," he said. "I'm afraid there's something seriously wrong." He explained to Lucinda, but she hardly understood; it was so technical. All at once she realised that this man, of whom she stood so in awe, had kind eyes, that looked sad and worried, as if he were trying to prepare for something terrible.

She confided in him in a rush of words.

"Yes," he said, at the end. "The circumstances are difficult, but I think you had better do as you suggest."

So it was that when Claire came back to a world of pain and a queer feeling that she, and the bed and the people all about her were unreal, she saw Max's face. It was a long time before she knew that it was not a dream: and longer still before she had any desire even to speak to him. Until that time, she was content to lie there, feeling her strength come slowly back, to let her hand stay folded in his.

She woke one day to find that the queer, detached aloofness of her mind was gone. This was her normal world once more. Max was there, still, as he had been every time she had fought to the surface of unreality.

"So you found me?" she said at last.

"Lucinda told me," Max swallowed with difficulty as if he had a lump in his throat. "My dear, my dear, my poor little girl, why didn't you let me know? I'd never have let you go."

"That's why," she said. "I couldn't hold you myself: I wasn't going to hold you through our child."

Max didn't seem able to say anything; he just stared at her, and Claire saw wonder in his eyes, and pleading.

"Good gracious," she said suddenly, and laughed weakly. "I forgot to ask. Everything's been so queer. Have we got a child?"

Max's face broke into a smile. "I should say we have! A grand boy, Claire."

"I thought I'd dreamt," Claire sighed happily. "I suppose I've been very ill?"

He nodded. "So ill, my darling, that I thought I'd lost you."

She looked at him and frowned, not quite understanding. A few months ago, he had been arranging to leave her; now he spoke as if losing her really mattered to him. It was all very bewildering, and she was too weak to take it all in.

"That would have settled the problem," she said.

Max bent down and kissed the hand that he held. "Don't for heaven's sake be hard and flippant about it, my darling," he begged. "Please try to understand that it's all different now. No, not because of the child only, but because I didn't see how wonderful you are. I thought when you laughed at things it was because you didn't take them seriously enough. Now I know that it's because you're the bravest girl I know. You've been through all this, alone: I'll never call you impractical or irresponsible again."

"You mean we can start afresh," she said. "You really want me?"

"If you can forgive me — I've been stupid and blind — I want you more than anything in the world. I love you, Claire, I've been horribly dull and lonely and anxious about you. If you'll come back to me I want you to be so happy you'll always be laughing, and there's lots of money in the bank, for you to spend on pretty things. It's no good leaving it there."

She gave his hand a tight squeeze and smiled. "What a lot of trouble we've given ourselves: and at the end of it all I didn't even know I'd got a son!"

They were both laughing when Nurse came in.

"Now then, don't overtire my patient, please! What's the joke?"

"Nothing, nothing," gasped Claire weakly, "just—just life!"

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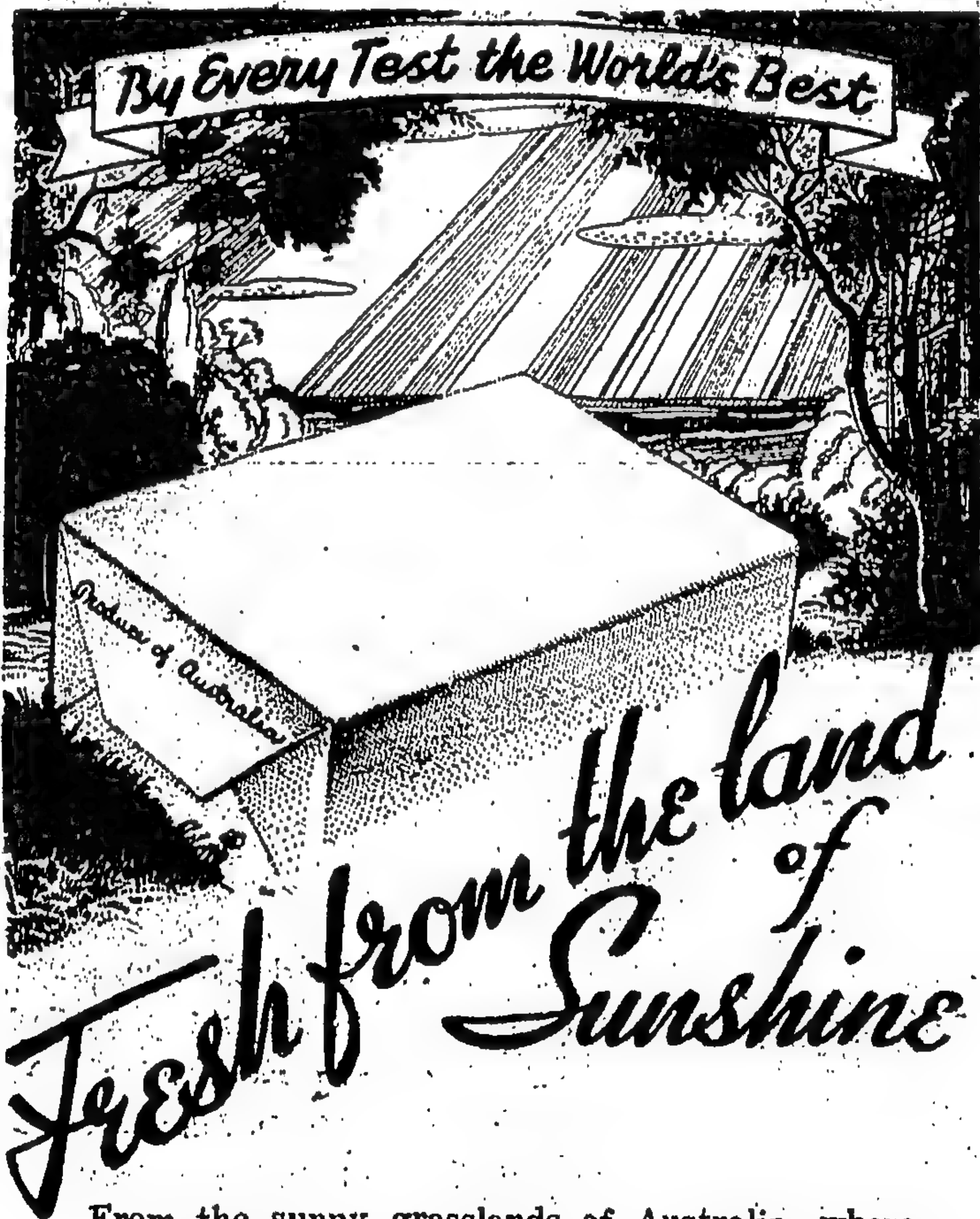
Miss Alves makes her point clear to a friend at Repulse Bay.

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"I'm ashamed of you!" said the mother, "I can hardly believe it! What were you thinking of to

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"Why don't you get married, Thomas?" a vicar asked his gardener. "You know Adam was a gardener, and he had a wife."

"Yes, sir," replied the gardener, "but he didn't keep his job long after he got her."

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PALINDROME

Perhaps the best palindrome in the English language is that which purports to be our first mother: "Madam, I'm Adam."

A word, verse or sentence that is the same read either backwards or forwards is a palindrome.

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SHOE SALE

An Aberdonian, staying in a hotel, found his boots were not at his bedroom door in the morning and informed the manager who, making full enquiries, failed to find them. He offered to settle the matter by refunding the cost. "How much did you pay for them?" he asked.

"25/-" replied the Aberdonian. So the manager handed over the cash. Just as he was going away however, the Aberdonian remarked, "Oh, but I also paid 6/6 for resoling."

And the manager stumped up that further amount, but what was his surprise to hear the Aberdonian make another charge. "You haven't paid me for the laces."

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NO HISTORY STUDENT

A Glasgow child absolutely refuses to learn history. On history days he stays away from school. History makes him sick. Otherwise he is a very good, clever boy indeed.

Then up spake the chiel fra' Glesca,

In accents fu' o' plain,
Ye can take your history lessons,

"And drap them doon the drain."

This behaviour seems to be the effect on a sensitive nature of history in the making. He has some every day, and does not want more than is inevitable.

CADDY CLASSIFICATION

Third-class caddy: "One who can go nine holes without losing a ball."

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First-class caddy: "One who can go nine holes and find a ball."

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LINGUIST

An American, in the smoking-room of a London hotel, remarked that the only languages he knew were English and American. "Oh, that's your modesty," said an Englishman. "Now I'll bet any one in the room a fiver that our American friend will correctly translate a sentence in French." The bet was accepted. "Well," said the Englishman to the American, "What is the meaning of 'Je ne sais pas'?" "I don't know," said the American.

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AT THE COUNTER

Counter Clerk (assisting old age pensioner to fill up his wife's application form):—"What is your wife's Christian name, Mr.—?"

Pensioner: "Missus."

Counter clerk: "No. What do you call her, Martha, Mary, or what?"

Pensioner: "Missus."

Counter clerk: "How long have you known or been married to her?"

Pensioner: "Forty years."

Counter clerk: "What used you to call her?"

Pensioner: "I durn't know. I'll go whoam and axe her, but I allus ca'd her t'missus."

The pensioner duly returned—"Well, what is her name?"

Pensioner: "Her doesn't know neither."

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BIRD-LOVER

There was an old maid of Kildare,

Had a nest full of birds in her hair.

The time that she hated Was when they migrated—

'Cos she felt that she wasn't all there.

Germany Abandons Idea That Peace Front May Break Down

MOLOTOV SPEECH NOT EXPECTED TO AFFECT ISSUE

Berlin, To-day.

Following Soviet Premier Molotoff's speech the German newspapers have apparently abandoned the idea that the Anglo-Franco-Soviet negotiations may break down.

However, they express the belief that the 'bickerings of the would-be triple alliance partners' will last a long time yet.

M. Molotoff's reference to Russo-German trade relations is ignored by the Nazi press, and official circles decline to comment thereon.

The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" says M. Molotoff has been manoeuvred by the "encirclers" into a position where he can demand his own terms.

The "Angriff" remarks that a fresh spell of frost has come from Moscow, and compares the "artful tricks of the encirclers" with "constructive peace policy exemplified by the German-Danish non-aggression pact."

The "Lokalanzeiger" says London is bitterly disappointed.

A German Foreign Office spokesman said they failed to see in M. Molotoff's speech anything which radically changed the situation.

SAYS GAYDA

In Rome, M. Molotoff's statement is hailed joyfully as a "douche of cold water" for Britain.

Signor Gayda, "Mussolini's mouth-piece," speaks of organic insufficiency and the entangled conflicts of the Democratic bloc.

He writes that preparation of the three-power alliance is cheapened by long and dubious bargaining.

"This is not the spirit to give birth to true and solid armed pacts."

AXIS "STEEL PACT"

"Bargaining over preparation of an alliance, in which everybody wants to take without giving, fore-shadows bargaining to come over its application."

"Tribuna" says the fundamental note is one of reciprocal mistrust. Russia and the Western Powers will never be able to conclude anything remotely assembling the "axis steel pact."—Reuter.

HOLLAND STATE LOAN PENDING

Amsterdam, To-day.

Announcement of a new State loan of 100 million guilders is expected within the next few hours, state banking circles. Fifty millions will be taken up by a Swiss Bank Syndicate, to which the Schweizerische Kreditanstalt and the Schweizer Bank belong.

The loan will bear interest at 3.1/4% and run for six years, the issue price being 97.1/2%.—Trans-Ocean.

KING AND QUEEN AT JASPER

Jasper (Alberta), To-day.
The King and Queen arrived here at 7 o'clock last evening.

They are staying a day before proceeding on a week's continuous train journey, after which they are crossing to the United States.—Reuter.

NEW DESTROYER

London, To-day.

H.M.S. Kimberley, a destroyer of 1690 tons, was launched at Thornycrofts yard at Southampton yesterday.—British Wireless.

BUERCKHARDT TO RESUME POST

Danzig, To-day.

Before leaving for Berlin, Dr. Buerckhardt, League High Commissioner, called on the Nazi regional leader, Herr Forster.

The visit is regarded to mean that the High Commissioner, who has been away for several months, intends to resume his post.—Trans-Ocean.

Five thousand, eight hundred persons obtained immigration papers at the Hong Kong Immigration Office during the last month. The majority of the immigrants left for the Straits Settlements, Siam, and other south sea areas.

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AMERICA'S "NEUTRALITY"

Decision of the American Congress on the Neutrality Act is likely to be reached in the next week or so and in harmony, it would seem, with the views of the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull.

The situation is now fairly plain to most Americans. With a flash of that realism which he sometimes brings to a discussion, Senator William E. Borah cut straight through the whole "neutrality" argument the other day when he said: 'Haven't the people already made up their minds who is right and who is wrong? The thing that is uppermost in my mind is that there is no neutrality at this time because of conditions that exist in the world.'

In other words, the widespread existence of emotional and intellectual un-neutrality in the United States means that a genuine neutrality policy, whether by law or by administration, is impossible. Hence the whole discussion now going on before Senate and House concerns the extent to which Congress shall legislate foreign policy in an effort either to curb the President, or to extend his power.

The collective actionists, would enlarge the President's power, giving him authority to impose embargoes against aggressor nations. The isolationist wing, which believes basically in "peace at any price" short of actual invasion, would restrict the President by re-enactment of the present law or its strengthening, plus legislation to curb war profits. And in between is a third group, really very close to the collective actionists, which favours the proposal to repeal the mandatory embargo on arms, extend cash-and-carry to all war-time exports to belligerents, but in the Pacific prohibit shipments to powers violating the Nine-Power Pact.

Perhaps the likeliest of all results is passage of the cash-and-carry resolution, without at present, unless Kalangsu develops, the addition of an embargo on Japan. This result would suit the Administration as far as Europe is concerned, since it would permit the United States to assist the powers controlling the seas, but it would allow Japan all its present access to the American market. Hence every effort is being made by the collective-action group to support the embargo against Japan which Senator Pittman added.

Where does this leave American policy? The possibility that Great Britain or France would be shut off from the American

market altogether by legislation has now vanished. The only question is over the degree of freedom the Executive will have to assist those nations. Public opinion has moved a long way since 1935, but it has had in the process powerful propulsion from overseas.

In cool logic, authority to the President to prevent American arms and supplies from aiding in aggression is in line with all the past commitments of American policy—the Nine-Power Treaty, the Briand-Kellogg Pact, and so forth. But to give the President unrestrained power to apply embargoes is getting very close to granting him the power to declare war.

In practice, it is sometimes difficult to determine technically the aggressor. Considering this and also the hesitancy of the American people to assume a role of arbiter or interferer, the cash-and-carry plan may be the most satisfactory compromise.

It would express in its effect on the various contending nations the clear feelings of the American people, while preserving the convenient myth of neutrality. Entire repeal of the Neutrality Act might be legalistically more correct. But with the American people halfway across the bridge from isolationism to collective security, possibly a half-way measure is progress.

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"Overthrow of Gout"

Gout is a disease with a lot to answer for over a great history. There are Egyptian mummies that still bear its traces; those doctors of antiquity Hippocrates, Celsus, and Galen had their cures for it, and the sober Seneca had hard words for those self-indulgent ladies of old Rome who fell victims to so masculine an affliction. The British Museum has just been given, through the Society of the Friends of the National Libraries, the only known copy of the translation made in 1577 of Dr. Christopher Balista's "Overthrow of Gout," which forced a man, he said, "to keep his house as doth a snail." It is a melancholy reminder that after four centuries gout has still to be overthrown. We know how even now it strikes down those in surprisingly high places—and let it not be put down at once to their discredit, for, whatever the whispering old wives' tales, it can spring from hard work as well as from its well-known eighteenth-century causes. Then, indeed, it was the painful reward for winning whether the sick man had drunk too much port with the Whigs or too much claret with the Tories. Perhaps it is this not entirely respectable part of its recent history that has put it into the sad category of ailments that can be joked about. These choleric old gentlemen who turn up from time to time in farces and films—how little do those who do not find the medical encyclopaedia the best light reading know of the pains they are meant to be bearing. It was a narrow life their originals should be living at Carlsbad or elsewhere, docked of lobster, duck, asparagus, mushrooms, truffles, and much more that even old Dr. Balista could put on his black list. For the ordinary man there may be a touch of distinction about gout, that disease of kings and elder statesmen, but ask the eminent sufferers themselves and few of them will deny that an honour that can be affixed to the chest is better than once felt in the toe.

ONLY ONE IMPORTANT POINT OUTSTANDING

No Doubt Felt Of Success Of Anglo-Soviet Parleys

WANCHAI FAMILY MURDER

Amah's Aid To Police

IT is now revealed, as the result of the statement given by the amah questioned yesterday in connection with the Wanchai family murder, that the woman had no knowledge of and no connection whatsoever with the crime.

She revealed that she left the employment of the ill-fated family three or four months ago.

She was able to give certain details about the habits of the deceased, however, and, it is understood, indicated that, normally, there would have been a good deal of money on the premises. The deceased couple were thrifty and, as far as she knew, kept substantial sums of money in the safe.

Police are also in possession, now, of the names of two of the foks wanted, presumably supplied by the amah, but she was unable to give a description of the men any more helpful than that already obtained.

One man was named Au Kwong, alias Au Kwong-man, aged about 26, and one was She Yu-shun, alias Ah Kau, 23. The name of the third is not yet known.

LORD HALIFAX RETURNS TO LONDON

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, returned to the Foreign Office yesterday afternoon.

Callers at the Foreign Office whom he received included the Polish Ambassador.

It is not yet known when the Russian Government's reply to the latest British proposals will be delivered, but the speech of M. Molotov in Moscow, in which the Soviet Premier and Acting Foreign Commissar described the proposals as a "step forward" and indicated that the negotiations would continue, shows that the reply will probably call for elucidation and clarification of certain points.

From what M. Molotov said, it is felt in London that the differences which remain between the Soviet and British attitudes are of form rather than of substance, but obviously outstanding points will have to be the subject of further negotiation before an agreement can be said to have been reached. — British Wireless.

BALTIC STATES GUARANTEE AS LAST OBSTACLE

Paris, To-day.

In political circles here last night it was believed that only one important outstanding point is still to be settled between Russia, France and Britain, the remaining issues being all secondary.

Although official confirmation is lacking, this is thought to concern the Baltic States.

The Soviet reply to the Franco-British Note on Saturday last is expected to-day (Friday).

Diplomatic circles in Paris entertain no doubt of the final outcome of the negotiations.

Meanwhile, in Moscow yesterday the British Ambassador, Sir William Seeds, had half an hour's talk with the Soviet Vice-Commissar for Foreign Affairs, M. Potemkin.

It is believed the talk was connected with the Anglo-French proposals.

Sir William Seeds also conferred with the French Ambassador, M. Paul-Emile Naggiar.

SOVIET'S REPLY

The official Soviet reply to the Anglo-French proposals has not

yet been handed over, but British circles in Moscow believe it will contain neither acceptance nor rejection but will follow the lines of M. Molotov's speech.

The speech was widely published throughout the U.S.S.R. without comment. — Reuter.

TELEVISIONING A GOLF MATCH

London, To-day.

An interesting development in the televising of outdoor events was successfully demonstrated yesterday.

Viewers saw part of the play in the challenge golf match between the open champion, R. A. Whitcombe, and the champion of South Africa, A. D. Locke, in which the latter beat Whitcombe by six and five.

Cameras recorded drives from two tees, approaches and putting at one hole and play through another. Three cameras were used, two being mobile, so that the players could be closely followed. — British Wireless.

LORD HALIFAX RUMOUR

Paris, To-day.

Despatches from London and Moscow, for which there is no official confirmation, suggest that the British Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, may go to Moscow.

Object of the visit would be to break the deadlock in the negotiations, which is chiefly due to the question of a guarantee to the Baltic States, by personal contact with M. Molotov. — Trans-Ocean.

BURCKHARDT VISITING BERLIN

Berlin, To-day.

Dr. Burckhardt, League High Commissioner for Danzig, arrived in Berlin yesterday.

It is believed his visit is in connexion with the recent Polish-Danzig incidents. — Reuter.

DEEP AIR RAID SHELTER FOR RAMSGATE

London, To-day.

In the course of a tour of East Kent yesterday, the Duke of Kent opened and inspected the first section of Ramsgate's air raid shelter, to consist of three miles of tunnel 60 feet deep in the chalk and sufficient to accommodate the entire population of the town, for which 23 separate entrances will be provided. — British Wireless.



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JAPANESE RETREAT TURNS INTO A ROUT

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Chinese Begin New General Offensive

Chungking, To-day.

The Japanese retreat in the recent North Hupeh battle amounted practically to a rout, according to well-informed Chinese quarters.

It is claimed that the Japanese suffered heavy losses and abandoned a large quantity of arms, ammunition and field guns.

It is stated that for the first time in 23 months of fighting the Japanese left behind dead and wounded.

When the situation was most critical for the Chinese, General Chang Tze-chung, former Mayor of Tientsin, personally led Chinese regiments in a bayonet charge on the Japanese lines.

General Chiang Kai-shek, by long-distance telephone, personally commended General Chang Tze-chung for his bravery.

OFFENSIVE SUCCEEDS

Meanwhile, a Shanghai despatch says the Chinese claim early successes in the new general offensive in Hupeh.

They say the Japanese are retreating towards Yingchen and Kingshan, abandoning large quantities of heavy arms. — Reuter.

NEW OPERATIONS

Chungking, To-day.

Sporadic fighting in the Yukow-Tientsin sector has apparently developed into a severe engagement. The Japanese are trying to cross the Han River. Although it is difficult to form an idea of the Japanese intentions, owing to lack of explanatory reports from the front, military circles believe that the Japanese are making strenuous efforts to clear up the Chinese forces within the Yokow-Tientsin-Chaoshi-Wamlaochi-Tapowan square so as to eliminate the constant Chinese threat to the Japanese advance towards the Han River and beyond.

Meanwhile, the Chinese realising the Japanese intentions, are reported to be conducting 'cleaning' up operations around Suhsien, preparatory to a march towards Singyang and Anlu.

NEW PHASE

As however the Chinese have not yet retaken Chunghsiang, rapidity of movements in the next few days will decide the course of developments.

It is evident that both sides are conducting strategic manoeuvres in the whole of North Hupeh, thus ushering in a new phase in the

Hupeh fighting as the Japanese are apparently trying to wipe out the stain of the defeat inflicted on them.

As however, necessary details as to strength and distribution of troops is not available at present it is impossible to forecast eventual developments.

The Hunan lull continues in spite of the fact that, according to the Chinese, two more Japanese gunboats and eight launches have steamed in to Tungting Lake anchoring off Yochow. — Trans-Ocean.

21,000 DEAD

Chungking, To-day.

The total number of Japanese killed in action in the Hupeh, Hunan, Kiangsi, Kwangtung, Shansi, Honan, Chekiang, Anhwei, Hoppei, Shantung, Chahar, Kiangsu and Suiyuan fronts during the latter half of May reached 21,416, according to statistics released by the Chinese Military Headquarters.

The number of Japanese officers and privates taken prisoner is given as 681. — Central News.

JAPANESE SURROUNDED

Ichang, To-day.

The Japanese attacking Tsienkiang, are reported to be surrounded by Chinese reinforcements.

Yokow, on the opposite bank, recently lost to the Japanese, is also being attacked by the Chinese. — Central News.

POLAND AND THE PACT

Paris, To-day.

The Polish Ambassador, M. Lukaseiwicz, called at the French Foreign Office yesterday and had a lengthy conversation with M. Bonnet and the French Foreign Minister acquainted the Polish envoy with the state of the Franco-British-Soviet negotiations. — Trans-Ocean.

RANPUR MURDER ECHO

Calcutta, To-day.

Three men were sentenced to death yesterday for the murder of the British Political Agent in Orissa State at Ranpur last January.

Eight men were transported for life while five received shorter sentences. — Reuter.

THE WEATHER REPORT

Temperature last night reached a minimum of 73 degrees after a minimum of 78 yesterday, and this morning the reading was 78 degrees, with humidity 85 per cent.

The Royal Observatory reports that an area of high pressure covers Central China.

A depression is situated to the south-east of Tokyo, moving east-north-east.

Depressions over south-east Manchuria and the Bay of Korea are moving eastward.

Pressure is relatively low over Indo-China and to the east of Luzon.

COLLISION OUTSIDE HOTEL

A collision occurred this morning between a car driven by Captain McPherson of No. 13 Observatory Road, and a car, No. 5464, the property of Mr. A. W. Black, of No. 239 Prince Edward Road, which was parked outside the entrance to the Peninsula Hotel in Hankow Road.

How the collision occurred is not yet known as a detailed report has not yet been made to the police.

TRAFFIC CASE

Summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning, Mr. C. C. Stark, of the Hong Kong Mines, Ltd., was fined \$25 for failing to maintain a lorry in a proper state of repair.

Traffic Sub-inspector J. Scrim, who prosecuted, said Mr. Stark was the licensee of the lorry.

A fine of \$15 was imposed on Mr. Vaclav Hak, of Austin Road, for driving his car at 30 m.p.h. through the Tsun Wan controlled area on May 14.

NODS ADMISSION

Pleading guilty to a larceny charge by nodding his head, a deaf and dumb youth, Wong Kam-chai, 18, was this morning sentenced to

GERMANS TO PROVIDE OWN A.R.P. AIDS

Berlin, To-day.

Two new decrees about air raid precautions were published yesterday extending the obligation to purchase self-defence equipment against air attack to the whole of the territory of the Reich.

All houses are now under obligation to clear lofts of rubbish, remove all superfluous and easily inflammable articles that fall under the provisions of this decree, which also extends the obligation to provide most equipment for fighting the effects of air raids, such as water containers, buckets, shovels, which householders must produce from domestic equipment whenever called upon to do so.

All persons are called upon to contribute personal services, for instance, anti-air-raid-wardens, are required to provide their own personal equipment. That includes gas masks.

When blackouts are organised for practice, tenants in apartment houses are individually and personally responsible for carrying out all measures ordered by the authorities. — Trans-Ocean.

ARBITRARY GRAB OF LOAN SECURITY

"You have no right to take his jacket and shoes as security for a loan between you and his wife. You must give them back or you will go to prison," said Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon this morning to a married woman, about 30 years of age, when she and a man, were charged with disorderly conduct.

"I am willing to give them back to him if he repays the \$6 his wife owes me," said the woman.

"You can ask his wife to repay but not him. If you do not return the jacket and shoes, you will go to prison right away," replied Mr. Himsworth.

Lance Sergeant Rothwell said he saw them fighting in the street.

Defendants were both placed on a \$5 bond to keep the peace for six months. The woman was ordered to remain in police custody on a \$10-bail for 24 hours to ensure return of the things to the man.

three months' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsworth for stealing thirty cents.

The youth was seen stealing the money from a man's pocket in Hak Hung Chun Road yesterday.

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OF CANNED FOOD NOW 350 KINDS

There are now 350 varieties of canned foods on the British market—most of them imported.

The combined exports of the five main groups, fruit, vegetables, fish, meat, milk and milled products—from the chief producing countries in 1937 amounted to 24,500,000 hundredweight. Imports into the United Kingdom were a little over 10,000,000 hundredweight—42 per cent. of the world export.

TO LOSE £2,500,000

Announcement is expected soon of the establishment of a £4,000,000 tin-plate manufacturing industry at Iron Knob, South Australia. It is estimated that this move will result in an annual loss to British manufacturers of about £2,500,000, as the local product will replace imports from Britain.

FAMILY OF 6 ARE SERVING

If Mrs. Rose Kenny, of 407, Caerleon-road, Newport (Mon.), is thinking of adopting a family motto, "For King and Country" would be very apt.

Mrs. Kenny, a widow, has a grown-up family of four sons and two daughters—and each is in a branch of national service.

Albert, the eldest, is a petty officer, in the Royal Navy, stationed at Plymouth; Rory, twenty-five, has been in the Navy ten years. Lyndon is a lance-corporal in the Welch Regiment serving in India, and Douglas, not to be outdone by his brothers, joined the Royal Air Force two years ago and is now an aircraftman, first-class, stationed at Didcot (Berks).

Jean in the A.T.S. and Edith doing A.R.P. work complete the list.

This is revealed in the "Survey of Canned Food" issued by the Imperial Economic Committee. A few old favourites still dominate the trade. Sardines make up a half and salmon a quarter of the world exports of canned fish. Tomato products provide three-fifths of the exports of canned vegetables, and pineapple at least a third of the exports of canned fruit.

Canning of fruit in the United Kingdom now covers almost the whole range of home-grown produce.

MADRID BANS CO-EDUCATION

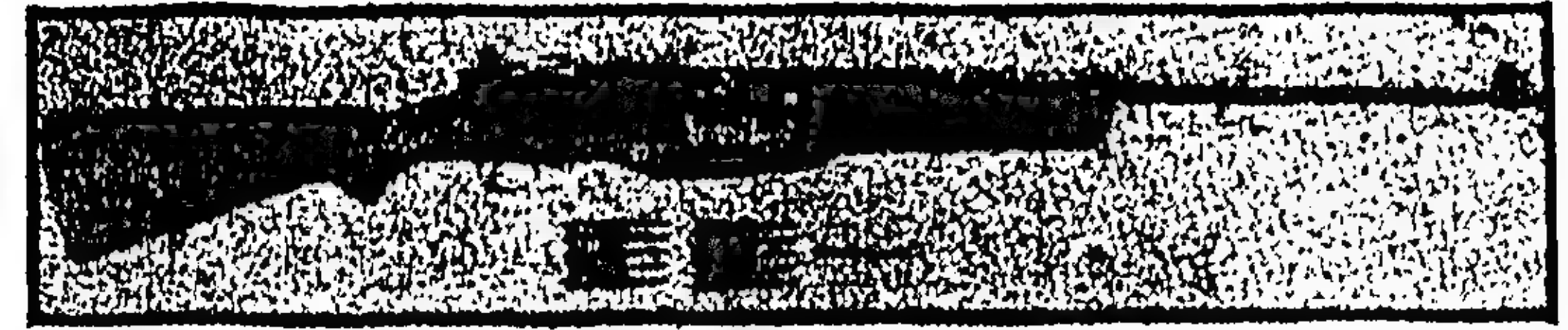
General Franco's Government has banned mixed schools for boys and girls in Madrid. Children will receive instruction in separate classes.

BACK TO THE RACKET

Helen Jacobs, American lawn tennis star, who deserted the courts during the winter to write a historical novel, is in England. She hopes to regain her title of world's tennis champion among women at Wimbledon.

VISIT BY "HOME SICKNESS OFFICER"

Girls from South Wales mining valleys get so homesick working in Cardiff as housemaids that they go back home after the first day or two. So Mr. Ben Williams, juvenile employment officer, is trying a new plan visits from a "homesickness officer."



DEATH STRIKES FASTER . . . with this new semi-automatic rifle, invention of an American. Firing 30-80 rounds a minute, it has a record of 2,400 rounds in less than an hour and a half, and can be fired even when clogged with mud and sand. And it weighs only 9½ lb.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London police courts:—
Motorist at Tottenham: "I asked the man if he felt better and he said: 'I will when I see you behind bars.'"

Witness at Shoreditch: "I could not get near enough to hear whether the husband or the wife was getting the better of the argument, but I should say the wife was, because the husband's head was wagging like anything."

Defendant at Acton: "I have never been in trouble before. My father is here to say something about me. My mother is here to say something about him."

GILBERTIAN CAT

There was a bustle in the men's dressing-room at the Globe Theatre, Plymouth. The dress rehearsal of Plymstock Amateur Dramatic Society's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Ruddigore" was in full swing.

Unconcerned by the excitement, a black cat walked into the room, made herself comfortable in a corner.

Before the rehearsal was over she had given birth to four black kittens.

MOZART SOOTHES

Japanese airmen are saying that Western music, particularly the classics, is the best remedy for jangled nerves. An official of the Japan Broadcasting Corporation recently made a survey of soldiers' musical tastes. "Airmen," he said, "rush to a gramophone almost before removing their uniforms. They listen to four or five records of Hayden or Mozart, and the music seems to have the effect of immediately soothing their nerves."

BERETS (FOR WOMEN) ARE

FASHION AGAIN

Berets are once again in fashion. They have made their reappearance in the summer collection of a famous dressmaker in Paris. Worn with perfectly tailored tussore beach suits, they were carried out in velvet, heavily embroidered with gold thread. They closely resembled the traditional artist's cap but had no tassel or tab in the centre.

The beach suits worn with them were striped black and white or have plain navy trousers and double-breasted natural-colour coats.

WORLD KNEW HIS SONGS

The man who wrote the famous post-war song, "How Are You Going to Keep 'Em Down on the Farm After They've seen Poree" died the other day—Joe Young. For many years he had lived in New York. Lyrics which he wrote himself or in collaboration with others include: "A Little Shanty in Old Shanty Town," "I'm Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter," "Lullaby of the Leaves," "I'm Alone Because I Love You," and "Crying for the Carolines."

ROBINS' NEST IN HIS CAR

Every morning Mr. A. O. Dod, of Albert-drive, Deganwy, North Wales drives to work with a robins' nest containing three eggs in the cubby hole of his car.

He discovered some weeks ago twigs and leaves in the cubby hole, and cleared them away. But found more of them there next day.

Then he went to his car one morning and found a couple of robins trying to build a nest.

SHOULD BE NAMED

HONEYMOON ESTATE

The owners of the Park Estate, Pinner (Middlesex), are wondering if they should not alter the name to the Honeymoon Estate.

In June and July, forty-two newlyweds are moving into houses on the estate and of twenty-four houses in one road fourteen will be occupied by newly-married couples.

Mr. W. J. Browne, who is handling the sales, said: "As the houses are about \$1,000 each, it shows that young people are not deterred by prices, and it also indicates an optimistic outlook for the future."

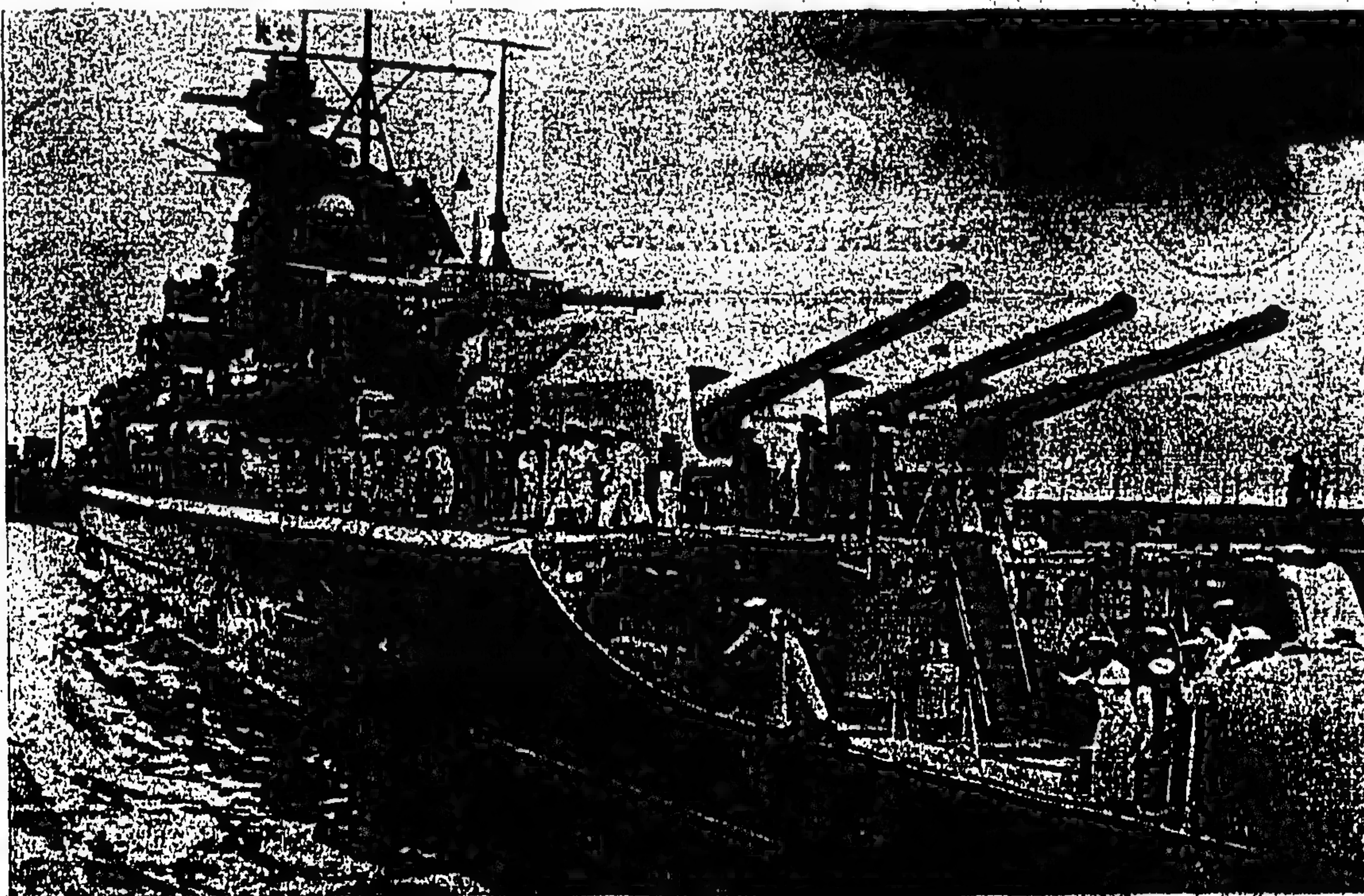
CLEARED OUT EACH MORNING

"I clear the birds from the nest each morning, as they might get lost if I took them with me," Mr. Dod told an enquirer.

"When I return they are waiting for me, and are at the nest almost before I can get out of the car."

"As soon as the eggs start to hatch I shall take the female bird with me."

The nest and the eggs travel some miles each day, and the birds anxiously inspect them from every angle to see that no harm has befallen them on their travels.



The German Fleet arriving at Lisbon on their recent five days' visit. Photo shows The "Admiral Graf Spee".

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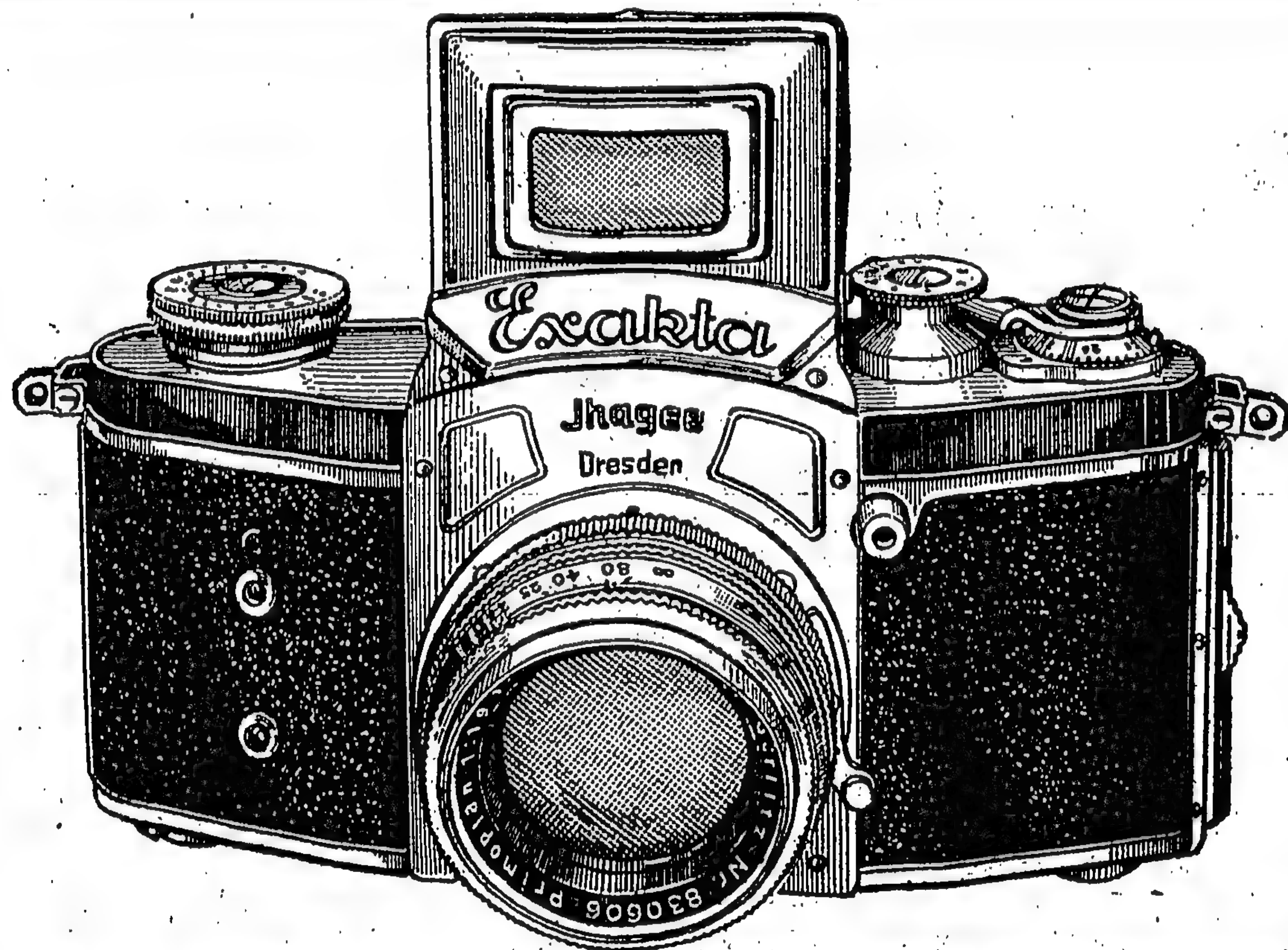
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BRITAIN'S ACTION

PURPOSEFUL as ever, but with an unprecedented energy, England has built up, during the last months, a political line of defence, economically sustained, in Eastern Europe.

The Anglo-Rumanian Economic Agreement that has just been concluded and has caused so much talk owing to its political background is, as a matter of fact, only the last link in a chain of treaties between the East European States and Great Britain, from the Baltic to the Black Sea. The North-South Axis organised between Germany and the Soviet Union by England includes the three Baltic States—Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia—as well as Poland, Rumania, Greece and Turkey.

This diplomatic work had to be undertaken at the two ends of the Axis. In view of the influence potential that might intervene in the solution of certain differences

of opinion between Russia and England, and also between Germany and England, the main purpose pursued by the latter was to gain a firm footing in the Baltic. With the aid of the commercial treaties concluded in July 1934 with all Baltic States, England succeeded in conquering a dominant position at the cost of Germany. Of the four primary Baltic exports—timber products, butter, flax and bacon—the main portion is absorbed in 1938 by England, and the economic relations with that country are being constantly reinforced.

A further and visible symptom of the English penetration of Eastern Europe is the Anglo-Turkish Financial and Commercial Agreement, which counts as a forerunner and as a model for the intensification of Great Britain's economic relations with other States. In order to relegate the Treaty of Sevres to the background of oblivion and to counter the influence of other countries in Turkey, England mobilised her financial resources, and gave Turkey loans and credit guarantees to the amount of 16 million pounds sterling. England has built a smelting plant in Karabuck and a great coaling port with an aerodrome on the Black Sea. In England, war and merchant ships are being constructed for Turkey. This far-reaching economic inter-aid was bound to affect the political situation. Turkey has been closely knit up in the British network of treaties.

But the fact that credit is not sufficient to solve all difficulties of political allies was made clear to England in the case of Poland. England therefore concluded with that country a mutual guarantee pact assuring Poland of any assistance Great Britain was in a position to give. It is certainly to be presumed that, in addition to military guarantees, Poland also benefited by active economic assistance, despite the fact that the method and scope of the latter is unknown.

More is known with regard to England's relations with Rumania, in which country, since the conclusion of the Germano-Rumanian agreement, England is endeavouring to save what remains for British industry and trade and, above

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all, for British policy is difficult for Great Britain with the dominant Germany in Rumania trade. England has chosen the system of port and credit. If it proclaims that States have from the natural suppliers of the Reich Powers, and England place, are in a position that, without their the most attractive schemes could not be realised. And although in the last few years the factor may have neglected the Rumanian States, England has far the most important all those countries, in Rumania. Of the 80 million lei, one-third is constituted by British Rumanian oil industry. The main concern of the Powers, especially Britain, and the same rapidly developing of the country. The Rumanian treaty provides for credits of 10 million lei. It is not as comprehensive as the agreement concluded with Germany, but it certainly produces its effect.

Greece is an important factor in the British Empire. Greece has always been in the British sphere of influence. It has complained for so many years that England is concerned with her political destinies rather than her economic interests. In addition to the recent military guarantees afforded Greece by England, the latter now intends to provide through adequate credits, to help Greece to solve her main problem, namely, in the development of her economic resources, in particular of her ore deposits.

It will be difficult for Great Britain to counter the growing German influence in man influence in Yugoslavia, but

Bringing Up Father

By George

WELL—THANK GOODNESS—WE ARE RID OF MAGGIE'S LAZY BROTHER—MAGGIE TOLD HIM HE EITHER HAD TO GO GET A JOB OR LEAVE TOWN—SO HE TOOK HIS CHOICE—

WELL—WELL—MR. JIGGS—DO YOU REMEMBER ME? I AM SIR VON PLATTER—FANCY—I WAS LOOKING FOR SOMEONE AND I FORGOT HIS NAME—I ACCIDENTALLY CAME IN HERE AND FIND YOU—ARE YOU LOST?

YOU!

COME TO THINK OF IT—IT MAY BE YOU—BUT NO—I KNOW YOUR NAME—AND I'VE FORGOTTEN HIS—THE LAST TIME I SAW HIM—HE WAS A LITTLE BOY—BY JOVE—MAYBE I WOULDN'T KNOW HIM ANY MORE—

ARE YOU SURE YOU EVER KNEW HIM?

WELL—IF I SAW HIM—TELL—BUT—HE HAD A LITTLE BUSINESS AND—UP—I DON'T WANT HELP—AS THEY BE LOOKING FOR

ON IN EUROPE

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garia, Hungary and Slovakia. After the annexation of Austria and of the Sudete territories and the incorporation of the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia in the economic territory of the Reich, the position of Greater Germany in the neighbouring States is virtually unassailable. Germany not only regards herself as the natural commercial partner of these and all other States of the South-East, but considers as a disturber of the peace any State that opposes her economic monopoly. The German system of planned economy has become a powerful instrument for the penetration of countries that have raw materials and manufactured goods to sell. The economic depression has supported the simple German theory: foreign trade without payment in money, wares for wares. But at this moment, Germany finds England in the running. Great Britain declares her willingness to order agricultural and industrial raw materials from these hitherto neglected countries and to grant larger export credits. On the London market, one hears of numerous countries with which England now intends to intensify her economic relations.

The impetus to this economic offensive does not come from the Board of Trade, but from the Foreign Office, which, in collaboration with the Overseas Trade Department and with the Export Credits Guarantee Department has opened new avenues for the expansions of British Trade. In these efforts of Great Britain, it is clear that the intention effectively to counter the German influence in Central and Eastern Europe also plays a part. But it is also possible to take account of the opinion expressed by a British Statesman to the effect that "each pound lent the Danubian and Balkan States will do more for the

preservation of European peace than 100 pounds outlaid by England for armaments".

But there is nevertheless a close inner connection between economic assistance and military expenditure. For it would be foolish to believe that economic and financial methods would alone suffice to bind the Eastern States to England. The only factor that has exercised a decisive attraction is the British decision to arm to the utmost. Only the strong and the determined can command good allies. Without the new armament policy, Great Britain's new Eastern policy would have also failed. Alongside with the great armaments campaign, British diplomats have succeeded in a very short time in creating a defensive front, which may well come as a surprise to those who were accustomed to the intensive political dynamism of the dictatorships.

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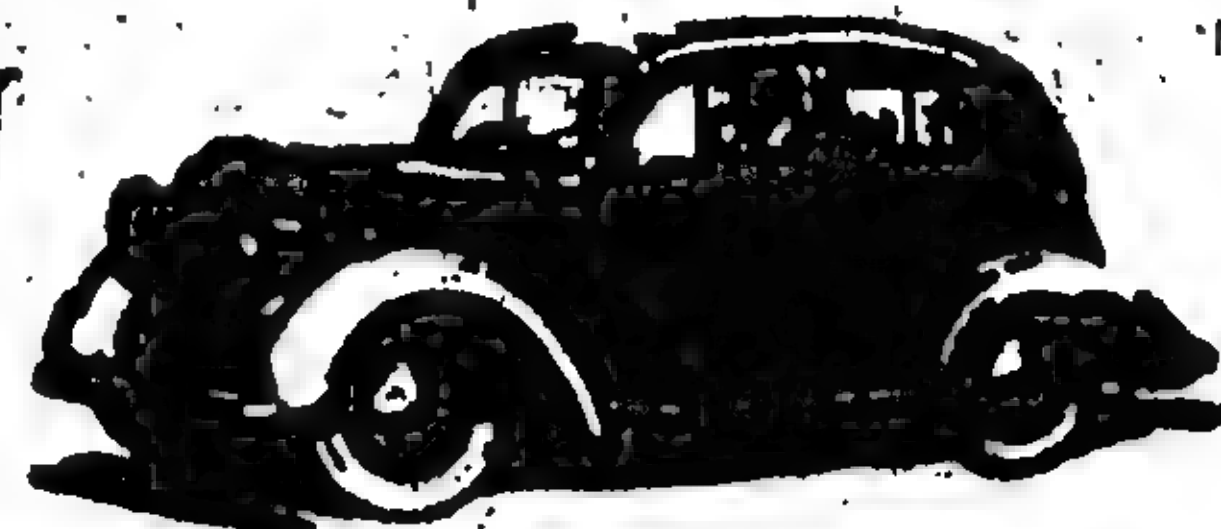
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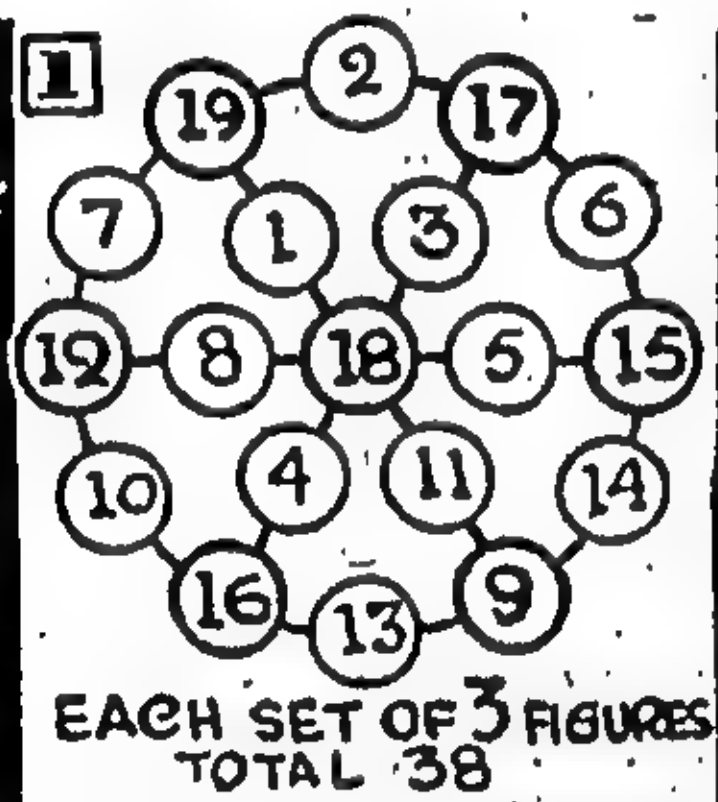
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PERFUME

For instance, have you seen that dream of a miniature bonnet box in which nestles a flacon of perfume among shiny green cellophane blossoms and green grass? A touching breath of Spring it is, and its very transparency and gay ribbon add to the thrill a woman gets when she receives it as a gift. To make it tops, the perfume brews are authentic and appealing!

COLOGNE

Another special dressy package is cologne. Pink and white apple blossoms on transparent paper, wraps your choice of three lovely fragrances. And ready for the stroke of your pen is a gay little tag attached to the package. Just write your greeting on it and the store will send the package to the lucky recipient! These colognes make a particularly thoughtful gift for a person ill in a hospital. Their fragrance brightens up dull days!

"For Madame from M'sieu" could be the intriguing name for a lovely square cut bottle of irresistible perfume resting on a vivid pink satin cushion! The perfume and its setting spell intrigue—expectation—what a pleasant surprise to find ex-whispers of enchantment! About

the nicest way for boy to tell girl "I love you!" And if the girl does not respond to such a lovely Easter greeting, boy had better cross girl off his list!

BEWITCHING VANITIES

A flower print design on a shiny white enamel background makes a most fetching Spring compact. Slim as can be, book-shape with bounded corners, this smart gold-plated case is fitted with rouge of medium shade, and a felt-lined compartment for your own loose power. What a lovely accessory for dainty Summer dresses and a fitting companion indeed for a new bonnet which boasts a crown of gay flowers.

For those of you with slim budgets there is a less expensive vanity which is no less desirable. And produced by the same reliable firm. It resembles an old-fashioned watch case with a gold bow knot clasp and its glossy white enamel surface is decorated with a tiny gold masque motif. Taste elegant! And its very nicest feature is that you may buy it filled with cake powder, or with an arrangement for loose powder if you prefer.

PERFUME PIN CUSHION

For Aunt Suzy or mother take a look at the perfume pin cushion which is so dainty you cannot resist fingering it. The surprise feature of this is the four corsage pins which hold perfume! They are coyly stuck into the cushion between other colourful pins of all sizes and what a pleasant surprise to find exquisite scents in the silver flacons!



Unfurled across the top of this handsome square compact are flags of all nations — a novel case for attractive Miss Moderns.

What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLARE

Sanguine expectations may be realized this day, so you can be of good cheer and hope for the best. The four winds are apt to bring many interesting news items, some one of which might have a direct bearing on your personal affairs. Be careful how you deal with anything of an intangible nature. This is a day that will require your thinking clearly and being thoroughly practical. Your sense of humour is apt to be unusually keen this day, with the result that your conversations are likely to be decidedly whimsical and entertaining. You may be very gratified by the proof of some friend's loyalty and devotion. Many people will require tactful handling, for otherwise they will take to heart things said in fun. Married and engaged couples, and those who are no longer "heart whole nor fancy free", should recall that: "Love is ever the beginning of knowledge as fire is of light".

If a woman and June 2 is your birthday, people, as a rule, will trust you implicitly. You ought to be most efficient, especially in business matters. Animals will instinctively be attracted to you, and you ought to be able to become a skilled equestrienne, as horses are likely to be one of your favourite pets. Your friends must not be permitted to influence you regarding your domestic affairs. You, alone, can work out your own problems. You ought to have a clever tongue, a magnetic personality and a charming manner. You are probably an optimist by nature but run the chance of becoming a pessimist if you accept too readily the suggestions of some of your close associates. By selling, painting, writing, teaching, acting, restaurant work, or playing a musical instrument you may acquire a nice nest egg for a rainy day, as well

as an excellent reputation. Marriage should enable you to realise your most ambitious hopes.

The child born on June 2, is likely to be exceptionally quick mentally and physically. If given the opportunity this youngster is apt to go in extensively for some athletic sport. Gameness and good sportsmanship may be responsible for a very successful career.

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CHATTER ABOUT FILMS AND FILM STARS

By LEDO
"FOUR DAUGHTERS" ONE OF
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FILMS OF THE YEAR

OPENS TO-DAY AT THE KING'S

An engaging, pleasant story of a music professor and his four daughters from the prolific pen of Fannie Hurst. The background is a small town. One of the girls is engaged to a typical Babbitt, another to a florist's slow-witted clerk, when into the household steps a personable young composer. He is flip, whimsical, and good looking and in no time the house isn't quite Priscilla Lane in the same. Follow "4 Daughters".



ing the composer is another newcomer, a music arranger, a hard-bitten, taciturn, disillusioned old-young man from a big city's slums. Far be it from me to tell you what life does to the four girls, in spite of all the protection of old Professor Adam Lemp and shrewd Aunt Etta. Oddly enough, three real sisters—Priscilla, Rosemary, and Lola Lane—play three of the four Lempes, while Gale Page takes the part of the other sister.

Maybe you will like Jeffrey Lynn as the whimsical composer who swings on garden gates. He is a sort of No. 2 Errol Flynn. But the picture is stolen—lock, stock and barrel—by John Garfield as the fatalistic, bitter, cynical music arranger. Garfield won his spurs a year ago with New York's Group Theatre as Jules Garfield. It was inevitable that the movies would get him. The lad "4 Daughters". John Garfield in "4 Daughters". will go far. About him there is a slumbering power, a



Paul Muni—esque detail to his work. You will find him hard to forget. "Four Daughters" directed by Mike Robin Hood) Curtiz for Warner Bros. commences its five day run at the King's Theatre to-day.

AT THE QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA TO-MORROW

Cold black type alone cannot begin to describe the dramatic power of "Boys Town" Words alone cannot express its realistic humanism. That audiences—and it should appeal strongly to any kind of audience—may appreciate its gripping entertainment merit, there should be an understanding of Boy's Town, an institution near Omaha, the priest who founded it, the boys who inhabit it and their spirit and ideals. But before that is entered into it should be known that the picture "Boys Town" is not merely a grouping of theatrical fundamentals, not a spectacle, not a lot of heroics, but rather the saga of an idea and an ideal. Reverend Flanagan, played by Spencer Tracy, hears convict "Farrow's" bitter story. With the willing but sometimes skeptical moral and financial support of pawnbroker "Dave Morris," he starts the first "Boys Town." The film goes on to unroll how Father Flanagan improves on his "Boys Town making it larger and better as it goes along.

On day a thoroughly bad boy comes to "Boys Town" capably handled by Mickey Rooney and Father Flanagan sets out to prove that there is no such thing as a "bad boy" finally the "bad boy" Mickey Rooney becomes the president of Boys Town amidst the cheers of all his fellow chums.

HOLLYWOOD LODOWN

Warner Bros. local office in Hong Kong have just received word from their General Manager in Shanghai that they have just had a "sneak" preview of "Dark Victory" new starring film for Bette Davis and were sure that this will be the new Academy Award picture for the coming year.

MOPSY by GLADYS PARKER

YOU'RE DOING A LOT OF RIDING LATELY, HOW MUCH TIME DO YOU SPEND IN THE SADDLE ?

OH, ABOUT HALF!



GLADYS PARKER

Among other productions planned for the new season at RKO, will be THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME, THE STORY OF NURSE CAVELL, and KITCHENER OF KHARTOUM. It is possible that these three will be made in technicolour.

A. J. Cronin's new story "SISTERS" will also be produced by RKO under the title of VIGIL IN THE NIGHT. Carole Lombard and probably Ginger Rogers will have the leading parts.

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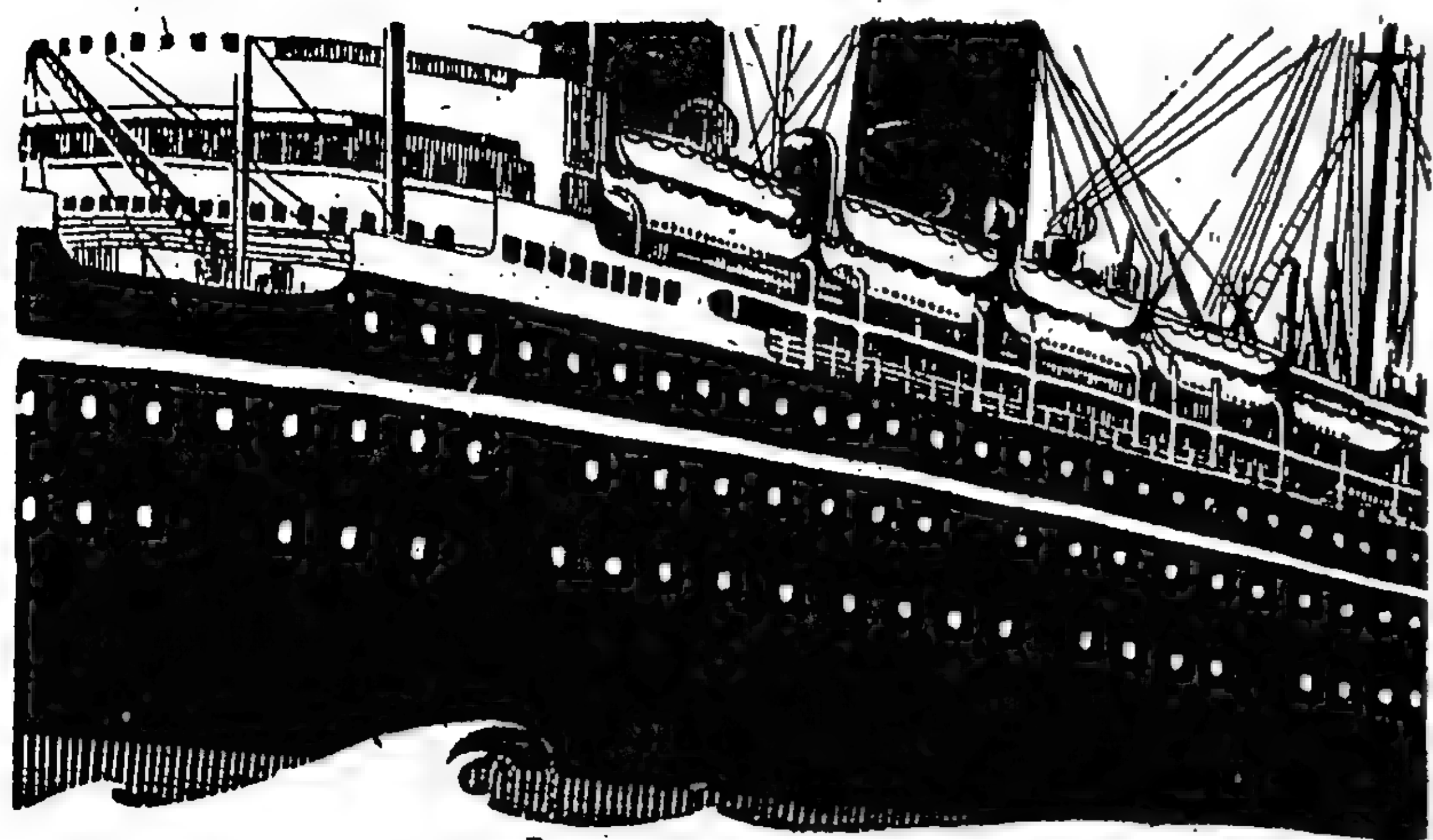
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| RAWALPINDI | 17,000 | 28th Oct. | — do — |
| *CHITRAL | 15,000 | 11th Nov. | Bombay, Marseilles & London. |
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| SIRDHANA | 10,000 | 3rd June 10.30 a.m. | Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta. |
| SHIRALA | 8,000 | 17th June | — do — |
| FILAWA | 10,000 | 1st July | — do — |
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| TANDA | 7,000 | 3rd June | } Manila, Rabaul, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne & Hobart. |
| NANKIN | 7,000 | 30th June | |
| NELLORE | 7,000 | 4th Aug. | |

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI and JAPAN

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| NANKIN | 7,000 | 4th June | Shanghai & Japan. |
| RAWALPINDI | 17,000 | 8th June | Shanghai & Japan. |
| *SOUDAN | 7,000 | 8th June | Shanghai & Japan. |
| TILAWA | 10,000 | 8th June | Japan. |
| CHITRAL | 15,000 | 22nd June | Shanghai & Japan. |
| CORFU | 14,500 | 6th July | Shanghai & Japan. |
| TALMA | 10,000 | 8th July | Japan. |
| *BURDWAN | 6,000 | 7th July | Shanghai & Japan. |
| NELLORE | 7,000 | 7th July | Shanghai & Japan. |
| CANTON | 15,500 | 20th July | Shanghai & Japan. |
| SIRDHANA | 10,000 | 20th July | Japan. |
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INWARD MAILS

| | | |
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| Shanghai and Swatow | Kiangsu | June 2. |
| Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard | Kaying | June 2. |
| Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 27th May. | Imperial Airways Plane | June 2. |
| Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., date, 13th May) | Emp. of Canada | June 2. |
| Shanghai | Tyndareus | June 2. |
| Shanghai and Swatow | Muinam | June 3. |
| Japan, Shanghai and Formosa | Hakusan Maru | June 3. |
| Manila | Pres. Coolidge | June 3. |
| Japan | Manila Maru | June 3. |
| Shanghai and Amoy | Tjisalak | June 4. |
| Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 31st May. | Imperial Airways Plane | June 5. |
| Straits and Haiphong | Lycaon | June 5. |
| Tientsin and Swatow | Nanchang | June 5. |
| Shanghai | Kaisyo Maru | June 6. |
| Shanghai | Delagoa Maru | June 6. |
| Straits and Manila | Deucalion | June 6. |
| Australia and Manila | Changte | June 6. |
| Calcutta and Straits | Tilawa | June 6. |
| Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 31st May | Pan-American Airways Plane | June 7. |
| Amoy | Anhui | June 7. |
| Haiphong | Canton | June 7. |
| Straits | Soudan | June 7. |
| Japan | Jeypore | June 7. |
| Saigon | Athos II | June 7. |

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| For | Per | Date and Time. |
|---|------------------|----------------------------------|
| FRIDAY | | |
| Fort Bayard | Hareldawins | June 2, 12.30 p.m. |
| (Papers only) for Straits & (Parcels & Papers only) for Calcutta. | Parcels, | June 2, 11 a.m. |
| Swatow | Sin Kiang | June 2, 1.30 p.m. |
| Manila | Emp. of Canada | June 2, 6.30 p.m. |
| Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris, 9th June. | Air France Plane | Fri., June 2, K.P.O. |
| | Reg., | June 2, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | June 2, 5.30 p.m. |
| | Reg., | June 2, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | June 2, 7 p.m. |
| Japan | Suisang | June 2, 7 p.m. |
| Fort Bayard and Bangkok | Norviken | June 2, 7 p.m. |
| SATURDAY | | |
| Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and Papers only) for Calcutta. | Sirdhana | Sat., June 3, June 2, 5 p.m. |
| | Par., | June 3, 9 a.m. |
| | Pap., | June 3, 9 a.m. |
| Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 20th June. | G.P.O. & K.P.O. | Sat., June 3, June 2, 5 p.m. |
| | Par., | June 3, 8.45 a.m. |
| | Reg., | June 3, 9.30 a.m. |
| | Ord., | Sat., June 3, June 3, 11.30 a.m. |
| Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 15th June | Hakusan Maru | Sat., June 3, G.P.O. and K.P.O. |
| | Reg., | June 3, 11 a.m. |
| | Ord., | June 3, 11.30 a.m. |
| Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 4th July. | Hakusan Maru | Sat., June 3, G.P.O. & K.P.O. |
| | Reg., | June 3, 11.15 a.m. |
| | Ord., | June 3, Noon. |
| (Papers only for Straits, Ceylon, India and East Africa) Beira, Lourenco Marques and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban). | Manila Maru | June 3, 2.30 p.m. |
| Haiphong | Yusang | June 3, 3 p.m. |
| Amoy | Van Heutsz | June 3, 3.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco and (Papers only for Canada)—due San Francisco, 23rd June. | Pres. Coolidge | Sat., June 3, G.P.O. & K.P.O. |
| | Parcels, | June 3, 4 p.m. |
| | Reg., | June 3, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | June 3, 5.30 p.m. |

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| CHANGTE | 4 Aug. | 12 Aug. | 15 Aug. | 31 Aug. |
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BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.

GINYO MARU Sunday, 11th June.

*NAGATO MARU Wednesday, 28th June.

RANGOON & CALCUTTA via Singapore.

*KAISYO MARU Tuesday, 6th June.

*DELAGOA MARU Tuesday, 6th June

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KASIMA MARU (via Keelung) Saturday, 17th June.

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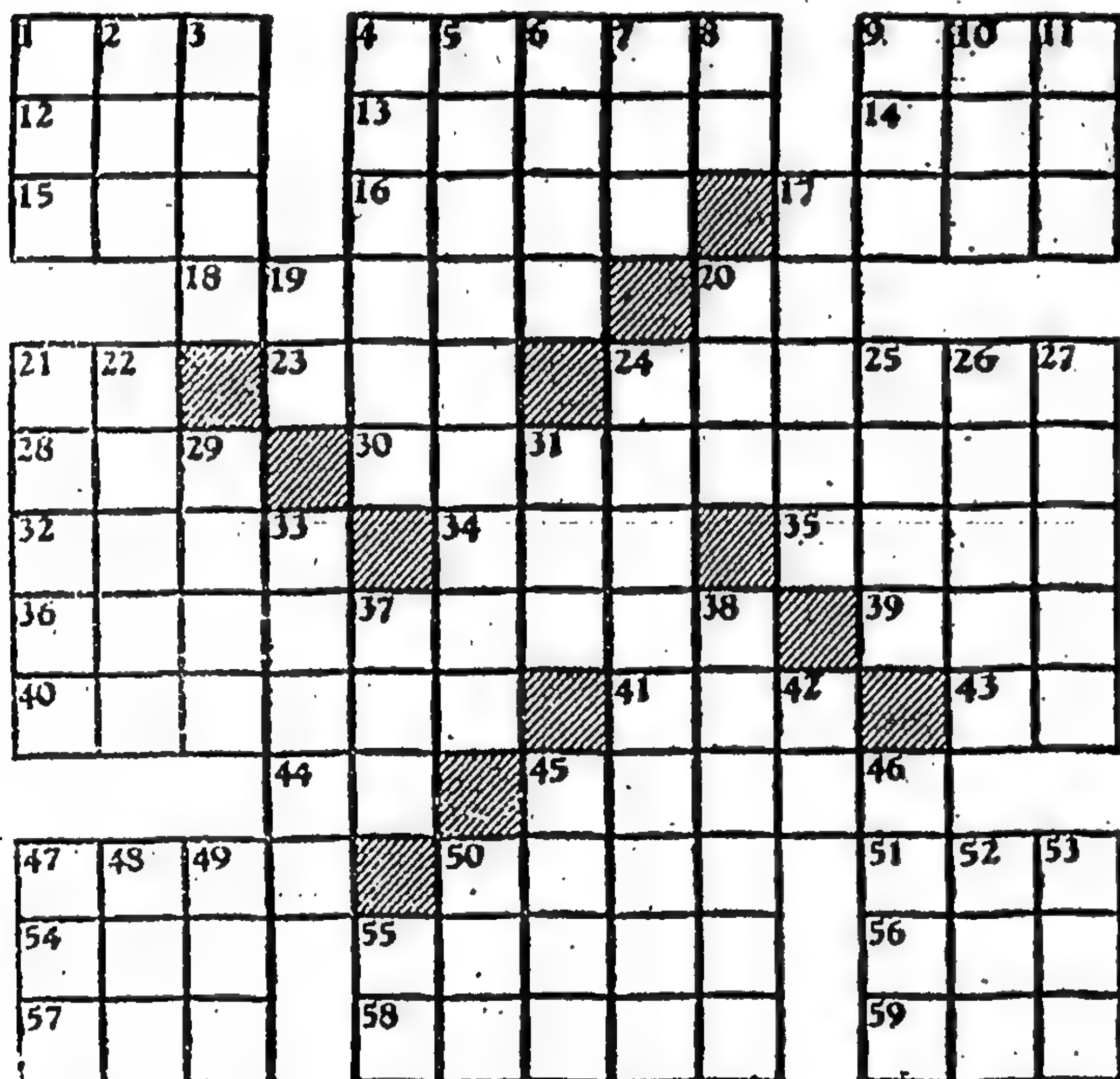
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HORIZONTAL

- 1 Pronoun
- 4 Tally
- 9 Tangle
- 12 Anglo-Saxon money
- 13 Red
- 14 Edible tuber
- 15 Cards: jack
- 16 Emmets
- 17 Speck
- 18 Roles
- 20 Chinese measure
- 21 Thoroughfare (abbr.)
- 23 Die mark
- 24 Card series
- 28 Part of hind limb
- 30 Animated quantity
- 32 Standard quantity
- 34 Metal
- 35 Travelled
- 36 Respect
- 39 Old Dutch measure
- 40 Looked at intently
- 41 Spigot
- 43 Ancestor of Pharaohs
- 44 Compass point
- 45 Harmony

VERTICAL

- 47 Competent
- 50 Worry
- 51 Auxiliary verb
- 54 Bond
- 55 European thrush
- 56 Predatory bird
- 57 Goddess of mischief
- 58 Array

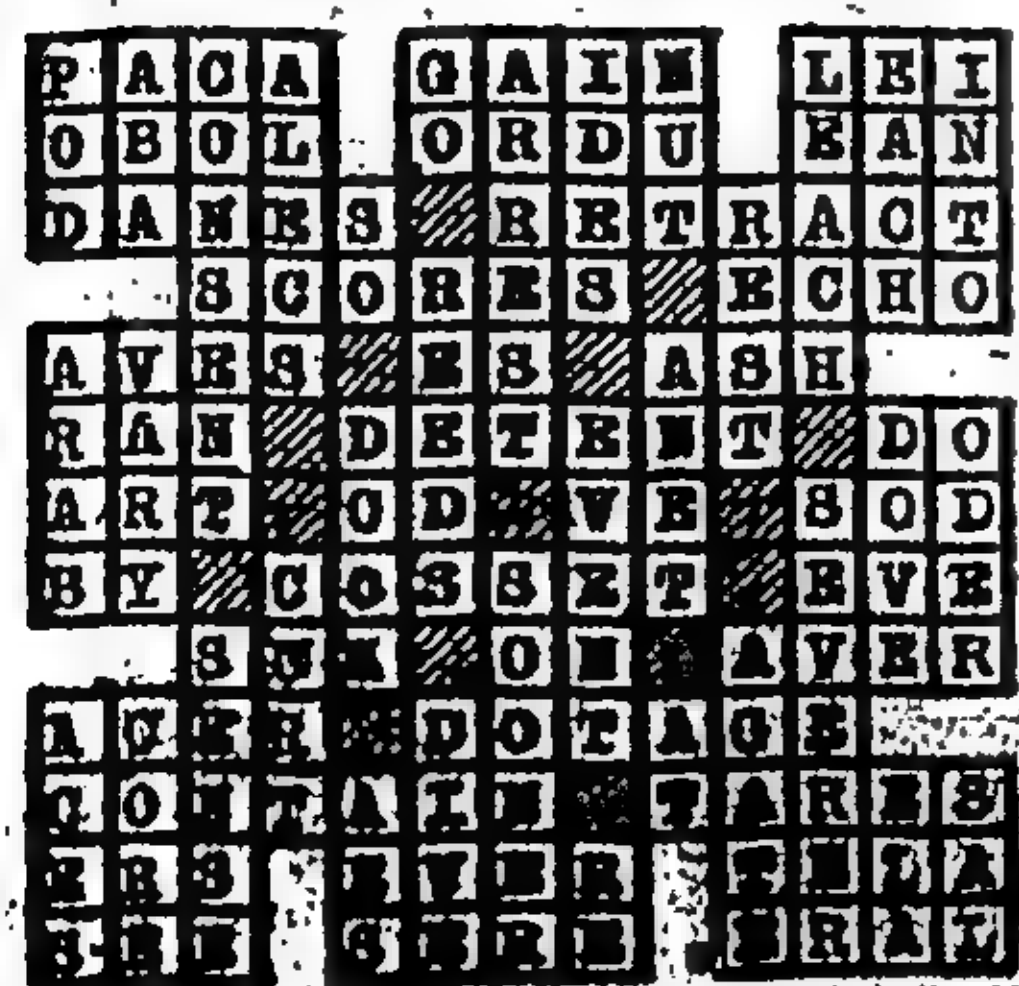
To twist

- 1 Flight
- 2 Babylonian god
- 3 Hulled corn
- 4 Insufficient
- 5 Resigned
- 6 Worthless leavings
- 7 Ethiopian title

Spanish article

- 8 Spanish article
- 9 Bellow
- 10 Performance
- 11 Scottish: to dig
- 17 One who digs
- 19 Cooled lava
- 20 Bulgarian coin
- 21 Urges
- 22 Doctrine
- 24 Imbues
- 25 Ox of Celebes
- 26 Evergreen
- 27 Dropsy
- 29 Hindu deity
- 31 Scottish: waterfall
- 33 Compact
- 37 Sandpiper
- 38 Frames for pictures
- 42 Greek letter
- 45 Labyrinth
- 46 Jaw
- 47 Negrillo
- 48 Small piece
- 49 Sheltered side
- 50 Dog
- 52 Boring tool
- 53 Crafty
- 55 Hypothetical force

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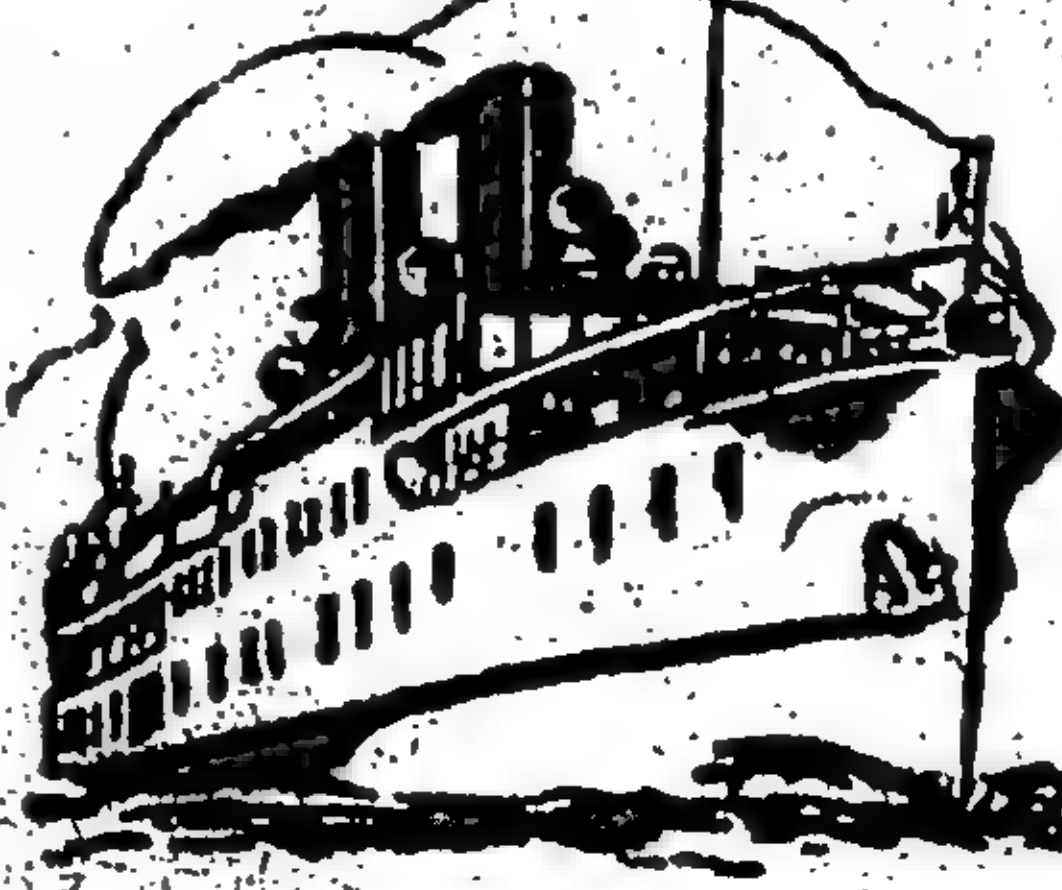
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SUNDAY EXCURSIONS ON 4th and 11th June, 1939

Because of the low tide the s.s. "Fatshan" will leave Hong Kong at 9 a.m., and Macao at 4 p.m. on the above dates.

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| Quotation of 12 leading Singapore stocks received by Messrs. Ellis and Edgar, Singapore, 23rd May 1939. | | Tin Shares | |
| Rubber Shares | Middle Price | Petaling | 6.80 |
| Amalgamated Malay | \$ 1.50 | Sungei Luas | 1.40 |
| Kempas | 1.70 | Industrials | |
| Kuala Sidim | 2.10 | Straits Trading | 25.75 |
| Pajam | 1.65 | United Engineers (Ord.) | 8.35 |
| Sungei Bagan | 1.30 | Wearne Brothers | 13.00 |
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| "Tai Seun Hong" | 2nd June 2 p.m. |
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| "Yatshing" | 7th June 2 p.m. |
| "Fingsang" | 9th June 2 p.m. |
| "Wingsang" | 11th June 4 p.m. |
| "Kwaisang" | 14th June 2 p.m. |
| "Dahpu" | 16th June 2 p.m. |
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| "Suisang" | 3rd June 9 a.m. |
| "Kutsang" | 20th June 9 a.m. |

To SANDAKAN.

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| "Woolgar" | 8th June Noon |
| "Mausang" | 23rd June 10 a.m. |

To SINGAPORE, PENANG

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|----------|-----------------|
| "Islami" | 2nd June 2 p.m. |
| "Hosang" | 8th June 2 p.m. |

To HAIPHONG.

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| "Yusang" | 3rd June 5 p.m. |
| "Wosang" | 7th June 5 p.m. |
| "Taisang" | 14th June 6 p.m. |

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A Year's Work In Colonial Empire

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In conformity with the practice begun last year of presenting to Parliament, with the Colonial and Middle Eastern Estimates, a review of the year's work in the Colonial Empire, a Blue Book was issued last night which records developments up to the end of March last. The description of peaceful and fruitful progress in many spheres of activity over vast areas of colonial dependencies effectively serves to put in their true perspective events of a less happy nature which have marred the year's chronicle in certain places, and which have received disproportionate publicity on account of their current news interest.

The review deals faithfully with the disturbances in Palestine and the unrest in the West Indian colonies, but it is amply justified in pointing out that if the populations of all territories in which disturbances have occurred are added together, they amount to about 3,000,000, while populations totalling 56,000,000 have enjoyed undisturbed public security in the rest of the Colonial Empire. "In contrast with the disturbances which have taken place in so many parts of the world, the history of the colonial dependencies, as of the whole British Empire, has in the main been one of constructive peaceful development.

WELFARE OF PEOPLES

Indeed, in several instances the security and peacefulness of British colonies have attracted great numbers of refugees from neighbouring countries harassed by war or disturbances."

What is brought out by this dispassionate review of last year's events in the Colonial Empire, which runs to nearly 100 pages and deals with each group of dependencies separately, as well as each main aspect of colonial administration in over a dozen chapters, is that a major tendency in all dependencies has been the greatly increased concern for the welfare of peoples.

This has been manifest not only in the attention given to the improvement of labour conditions but in work for the welfare of women and in connexion with health and nutrition.

MALNUTRITION

Evidence continued to accumu-

late on the extent to which malnutrition is a factor in ill-health and inefficiency in many parts of the Colonial Empire.

Hence the active interest taken in nutritional subjects.

Ceylon, for example, spent a million rupees on supplementary food for schoolchildren.

Welfare propaganda among the adult community was also carried out, and a number of new ration scales for labourers were introduced.

Nutrition committees were at work during the year in most of the colonial dependencies.

Extraordinary results were obtained from an experiment in nutrition carried out among some 200 labourers of the Ruanda tribe, regarded as poor in physique and inefficient workers, who were employed on the building of the new Kampala railway station.

Results showed that on good diet these people become as efficient as the best labourers drawn from Uganda.

EDUCATION

In the chapter on education, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald (Colonies Secretary) replies to a criticism sometimes made of the educational policy in Africa to the effect that it is a mistake to spend so much on higher education in a region which still needs a great deal more to be done for primary and secondary education.

The Colonial Secretary writes: "It may be said that we are building the peak of the pyramid before the base. I do not accept the metaphor.

"Education in East Africa resembles rather a column not of static stone but of moving water ever rising upward to the head of the fountain whence the column spreads out and returns to its first level, shedding over a wide area the refreshing waters of teaching ability, medical skill and technical knowledge.

"Money spent wisely on higher education is in fact an essential contribution towards the spread of primary education."

In that part of the statement which deals with trade it is shown that prices of colonial products were on the whole unfavourable, and this had a marked effect on Government revenues. — British Wireless.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-25/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 19-16/16 and forward at 19-3/4.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.6823 and the New York or London rate £—U.S.\$4.685-1/16.

CHINA MAIL

FRIDAY SUPPLEMENT, JUNE 2, 1939

"SO you have quite definitely made up your mind to leave me, Max?" said Claire.

He nodded dumbly. Now that he had screwed up his courage to say so, he felt that he was behaving like a cad, but he really couldn't stand it any longer.

He muttered something about his nerves.

"You're serious-minded, and I'm not. It irritates you, doesn't it?" Claire did not cry or grow hysterical, she seemed to shrink, and Max could not bear to look at her pinched little face in which her eyes seemed to have grown larger. She looked so defenceless, so young.

That, perhaps, was the trouble. Claire was young and irresponsible, and ought never to have married Max, who was so much older, so in earnest about things. She laughed in the wrong place.

He thought, she is too young to be left to manage her own life, but I can't go on.

Claire was trying to see where she had gone wrong, trying to understand why she had got so terribly on her husband's nerves. She thought, I'm only twenty: too young to understand, perhaps. It will be better, I shall be wiser in

"LIFE IS SUCH A JOKE"

they had a charming little home, and their marriage was to be broken up.

Claire understood that Max would be able to allow her three pounds a week, and he suggested that she should go back to live with her mother.

Automatically, she said, "Thank you," through stiff lips, and she was glad when he rose at last and said he was going out to the club.

"I'm sorry, Max," she said wearily. "I'm sorry to have failed you."

He looked uncomfortable: "I expect I am as much to blame," he said, "but honestly, you do see that it can't go on, don't you? We're always quarrelling."

Claire could not agree, but she did not argue. Privately she thought Max was always finding fault with her, and being annoyed because she stood up for her own ideas of life.

"It's such a cat and dog life, isn't it?" Max seemed almost to be pleading with her.

"Yes."

ma: much more terrible for her than Max knew, but she could not tell him now. Perhaps she could not think very clearly, perhaps her pride was too great, but she knew that she could not possibly appeal to him for a fresh start. Somehow she had got to get through this awful business alone. Nothing would make her tell Max now that she was going to have a baby.

Even while she was writing a note to Max, she saw the humour of it. It was most unconventional, and quite the wrong way round. It was he who wanted to leave her, and should have been the one to write notes.

"I can't wait, Max. I'm going right away without seeing you again. It's better that way. I'm sorry our marriage was such a mistake. I hope one day you will find someone who will make you happy." When Max read it he thought at first that she had gone to her mother, and he didn't worry. He only thought it was so like Claire to leave most of her clothes behind, not to think of the loose ends. Utterly impractical, irresponsible; maddening to a man of his careful temperament.

The next day, he wrote to her, expressing more easily on paper what he had not been able to say about his own regret, that it had come to this, and sending her some money.

Her mother rang up the next day, hysterically anxious, full of recrimination, and from the tangled threads of her conversation he was able to gather that she had not seen Claire, and what did he mean by addressing letters to her, care of her mother?

He couldn't explain over the telephone: he was shocked and worried. Mrs. Grey said he had better come and see her.

"She's mad to go off like that," Max showed his anxiety in anger. "I'd got everything cut and dried . . ."

"You didn't understand her," sobbed his mother-in-law, "and now, God knows what has happened to her. She may be dead."

While they were wondering what they should do, whether the police should be notified, Claire was walking down Oxford-street.

Before her marriage, she had been a saleswoman in Lucinda's dress shop, and Lucinda had told her she'd be glad to have her back if she ever wanted to work again.

Knowing that the best way to disappear is to become one of London's millions of working women who live in small back bed-sitters, Claire had taken a tiny apartment at the back of the Edgware-road, and gone straight to see Lucinda.

"My dear, I'm glad to have you back," she was told, "but sorry it's necessary. Isn't your husband doing so well?"

Claire let her misery overwhelm her. This was the first kind inquiry she had heard this was the sympathy she needed. The tight line of her set lips relaxed, and in

a moment she was crying her heart out on Lucinda's comfortable bosom.

Lucinda, who real name was Lucy Jones, let her have her head and then listened to the tale with many portentous nods and shakings of her grey head.

At the end she threw up her hands. "A baby!" she cried. "My poor child!"

"He doesn't know," said Claire. "And I'm not going to tell him." She lifted her chin, and her tear-dimmed eyes grew hard.

Lucinda could not persuade her. "It's not right," she said. "Think of the poor mite without a father. And how can you bring it up properly? I'll pay you all I can, but you have no idea what babies cost."

"My baby will have a mother," said Claire. "He will be better without a father who doesn't understand. As for money, I can have him in hospital for very little money, and then there are creches and things. I'll manage somehow, but I won't go back and I won't let Max know anything about it."

"You'll feel differently in six months," said Lucinda, but she did at last make Claire see that she must write to Max at least once, to tell him that she was quite safe.

The postman delivered that letter to Max one morning when he had risen from his bed after a sleepless night: he was grey and exhausted after hours of tossing and worrying, of odd snatches of nightmare-haunted sleep. Wandering round the house, in the dim hours of dawn, he had grown cold, and looked twenty years older by the time he heard the rat-tat at the door.

Claire's letter told him very little: just that she had found herself a job and would not need any money from him. Max's relief found vent in anger. He was

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Short Story

By Elsa Godfrey

a few years, and then it will be too late.

She held her hands firmly in her lap to still their trembling, and said, "When is it happen, Max? We shall give up this house, of course?"

As he outlined his plans to her, she realised that he had been thinking of this for a long time: in his mind it was all arranged. She had hoped it might be an impulse born of his irritation: lately she had been very difficult, because, she believed, he was working late on important business, came home tired, with bundles of papers that must be attended to. She had tried to be patient with him, but now the end had come.

While she listened so quietly to him, Max could not complain of irresponsibility. She was different from the girl who spent too much money on frocks, and went without her lunch in his absence: it did not seem possible that she could ever have broken a valuable piece of china, and laughed because she said crying would not mend it.

In the very early days of their marriage, two years ago, they had been terribly hard up. It had hurt Max's dignity and pride when they could not pay the gas bill: Claire, even then, had annoyed him by laughing and buying an oil stove, on which to cook: she had even filled two hot water bottles and made him hug one as they sat by the empty fireplace. She didn't seem to see how sordid it was, and when he had complained bitterly, she laughed, and kissed him and said it wouldn't last.

She had been right about that: once Max got going, he had done well and gone ahead rapidly. Now

And then as he was going out of the door, panic seized her. "Max!" she called suddenly. "Max, there isn't anyone else, is there?"

He shook his head. "No, Claire, There won't ever be anyone else. You won't believe me, I know, but though I can't live with you, I still love you."

He left her completely bewildered. She couldn't understand that. Surely loving a person meant that you could be happy living with them. She, young as she was, and perhaps a little foolish, could see that Max wasn't perfect. Dear Max, rather too solemn about everything, taking life too seriously, worrying about small things that didn't really matter: but she still loved him, still wanted to stay with him, and he didn't want her.

She sat down by the fire, dumbly miserable. It was quite warm in here, but she felt cold, very cold and very frightened, because she had suddenly made up her mind that she could not wait for Max to come back. He had worked it out so methodically, that the house was to be let, he would find himself a flat, and her mother would be glad to have her home again. There was no hurry; they could arrange everything at their leisure. In fact, he said, they could not afford to be hasty.

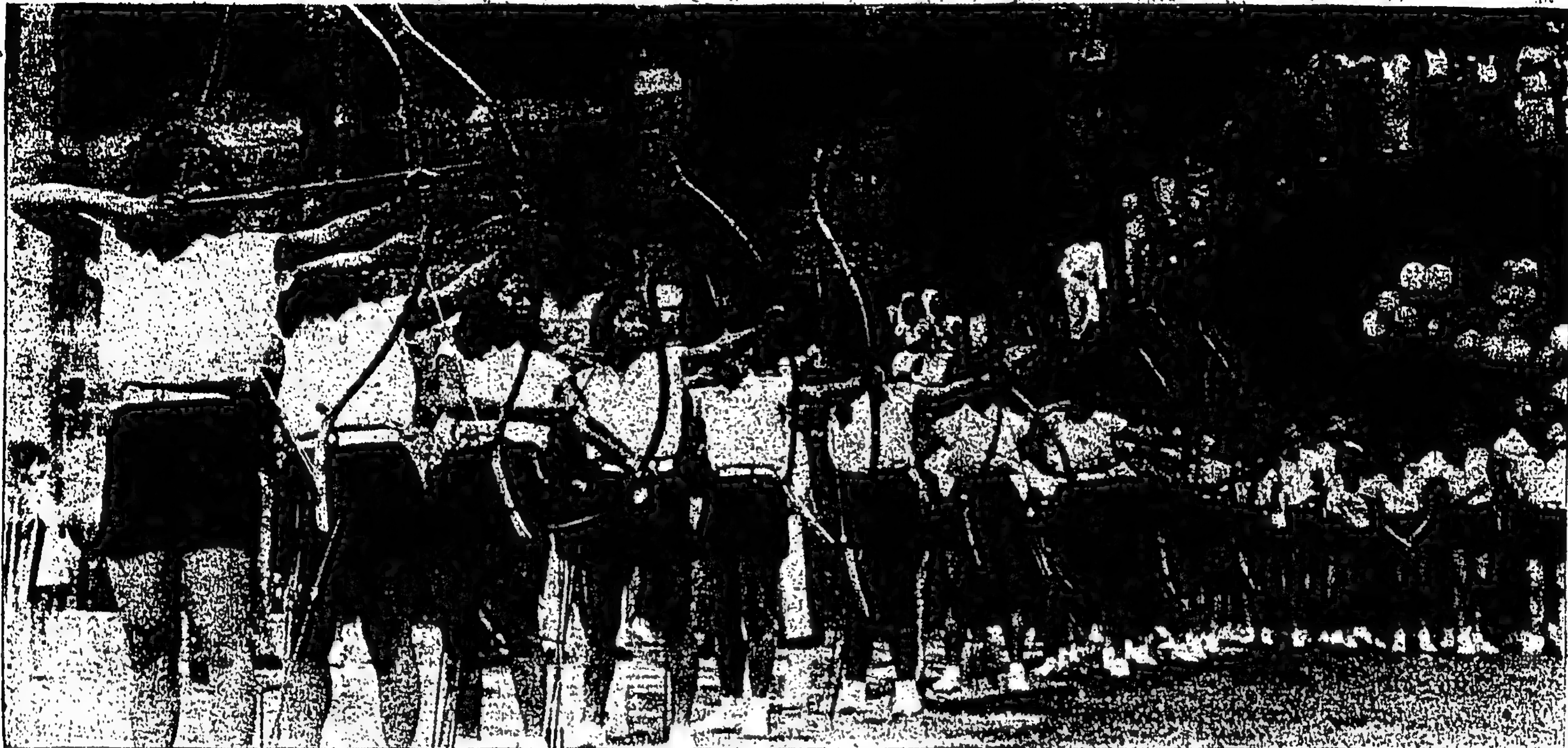
She thought of sleeping and waking, of eating and working in this little house with that hanging over her head.

"He's heartless to suggest it," she thought. "I couldn't do it." And she laughed rather bitterly. "At least he will not say I have been flippant over this."

She tried to think what she would do. It was a terrible dilemma.

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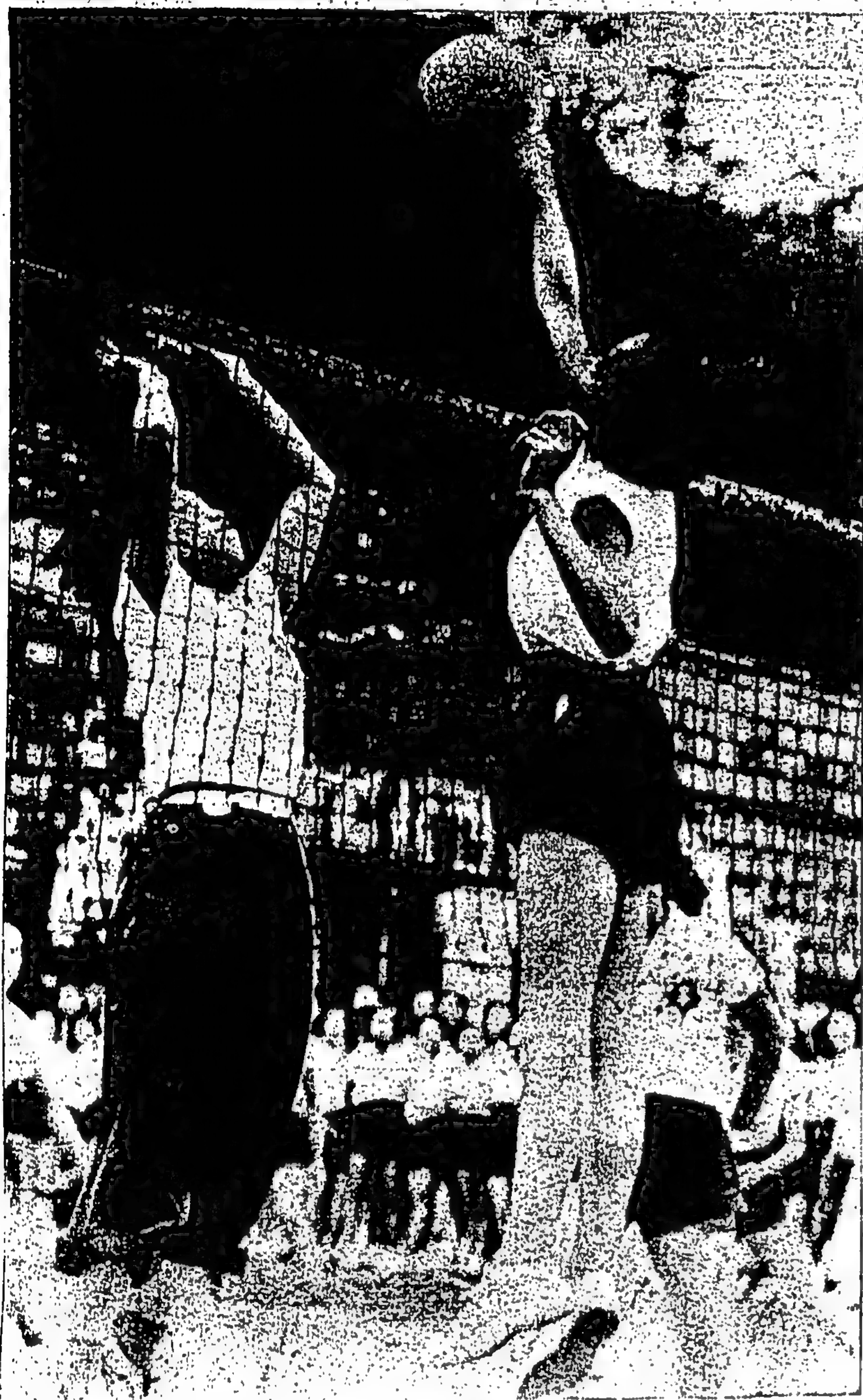
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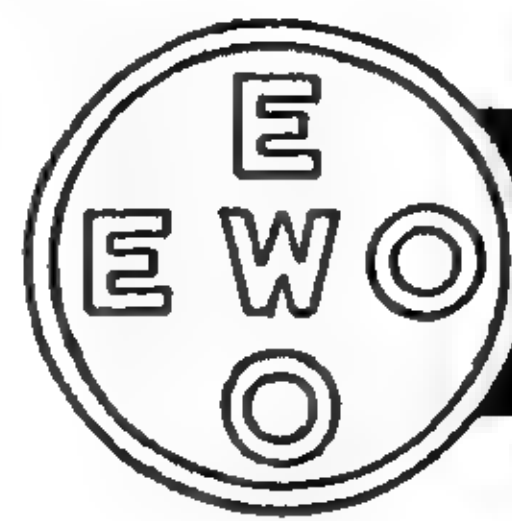
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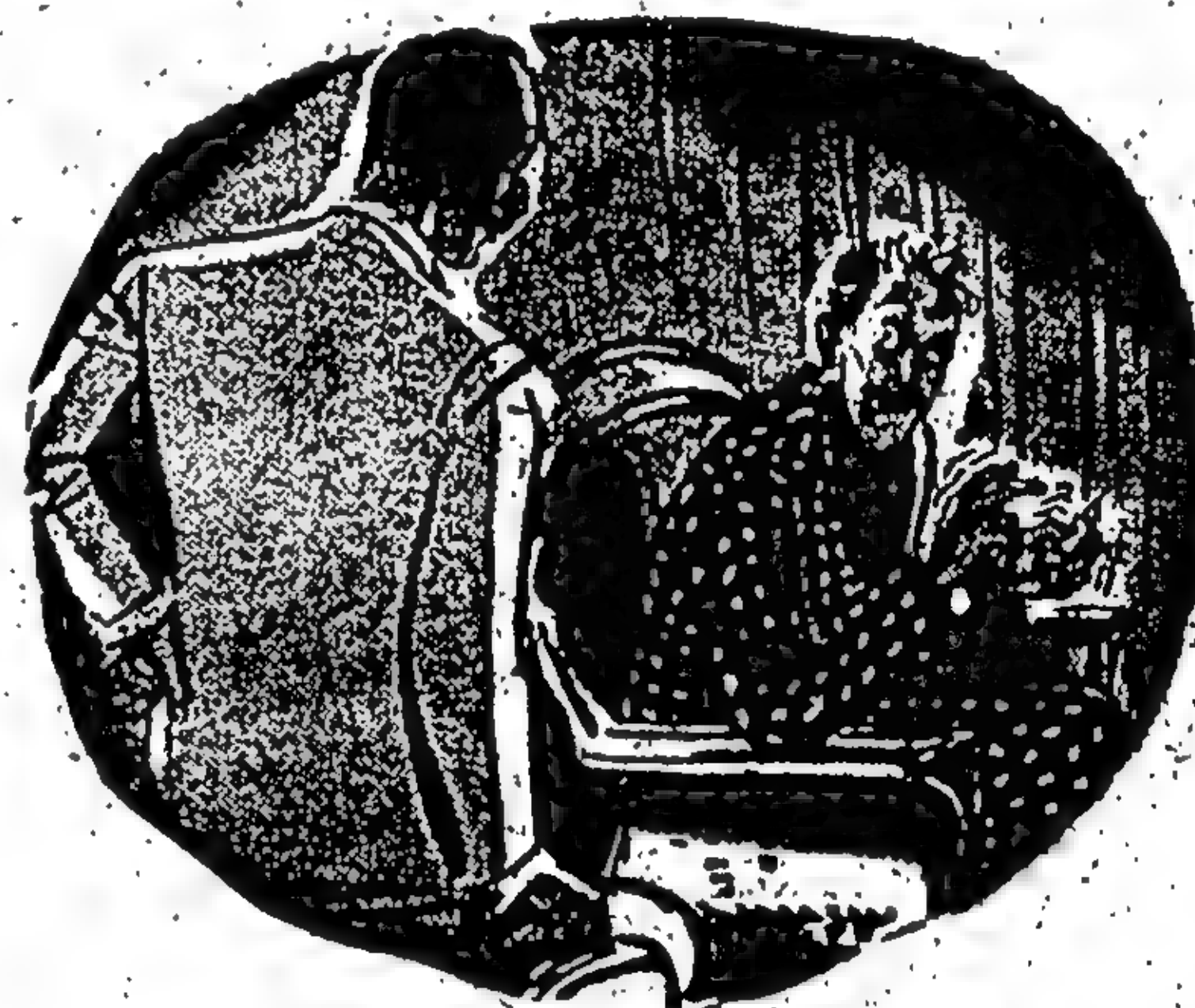


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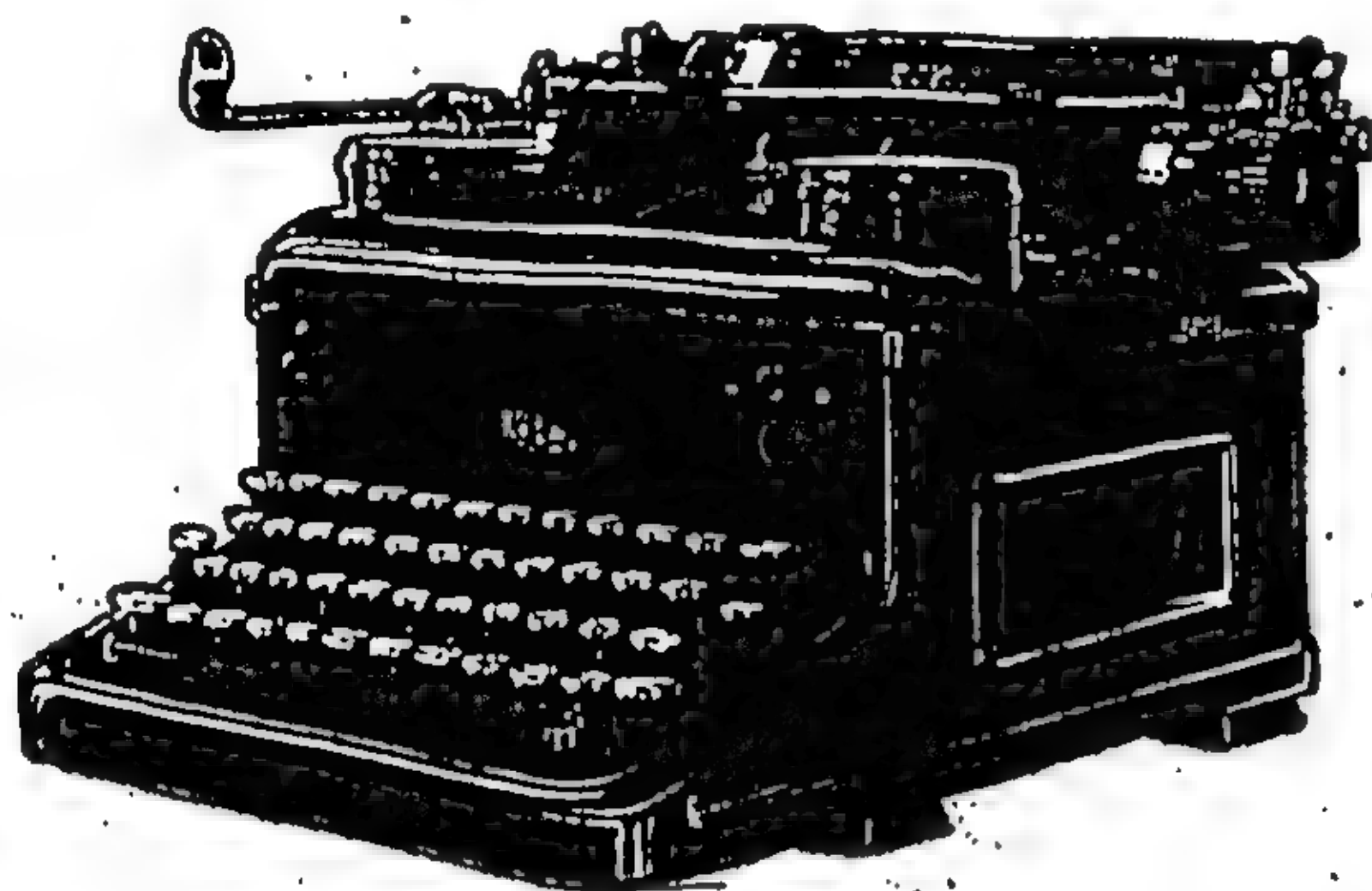
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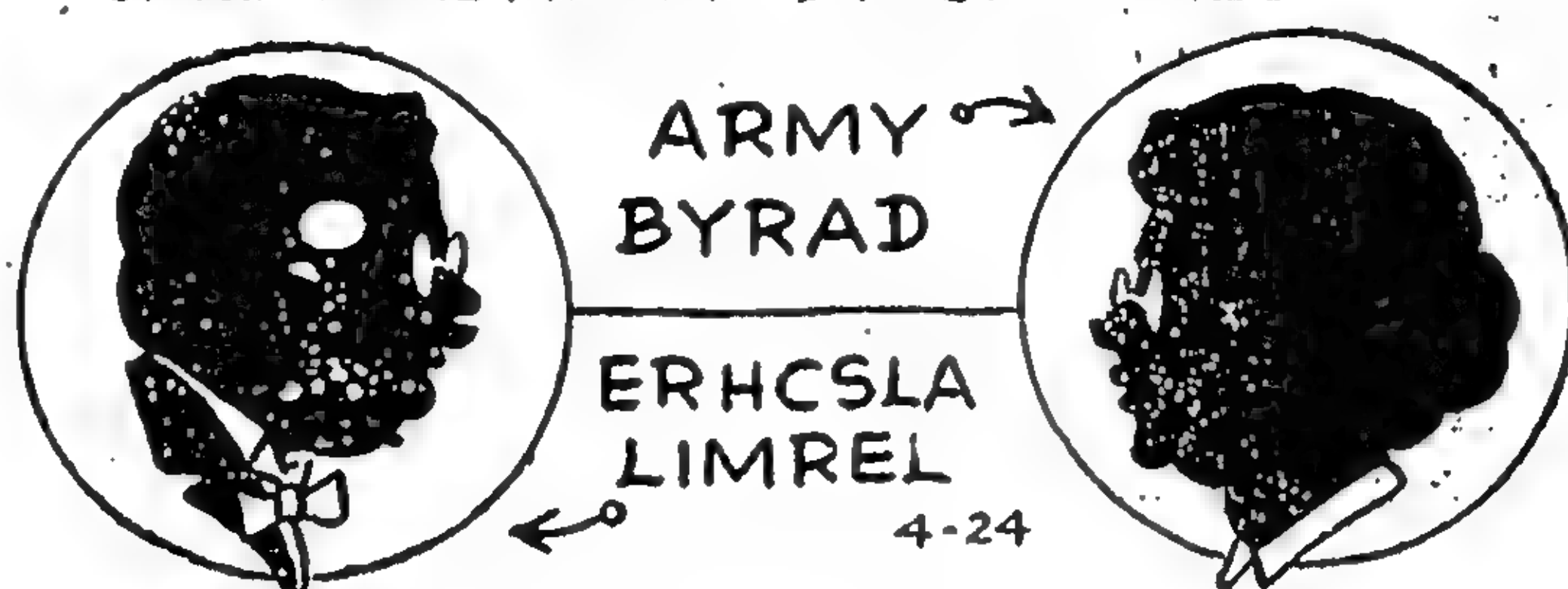
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Belated reports received here yesterday state that Chinese aircraft raided Nanking during the last week-end. An ammunition dump is claimed to have been hit. — Our Own Correspondent.

They are Mr. W. D. Borrie of Oamaru, New Zealand, who will study the problem of the British population in New Zealand, Mr. E. J. B. Foxcroft of Melbourne, Australia, whose subject is the influence of the Dominions upon British post-War policy, Dr. D. Ivor of London, Ontario, Canada, and Mr. M. Sterne, of Onderstepoort, South Africa, who will follow a course of study in bacteriology. — British Wireless.

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TO-DAY'S MIXED DOUBLES TENNIS PROSPECTS

WITH the continued improvement in the weather, it appears fairly certain that most Mixed Doubles League matches down for decision this afternoon will be played.

Some very interesting tennis should be seen. L.R.C. will make their first appearance in the League this season in opposition to Recreio and this encounter should be a fairly close thing.

Actually, L. R. C., on paper, do not look very formidable but they have at least one very sound pair in Mr. and Mrs. Story, and J. J. Ferguson is also well-known for his fine doubles game.

Recreio should have a slight edge in the matter of men players, but the ladies are about on a par.

Hong Kong Cricket Club have suffered a setback in the absence of Mrs. Andrews, their strongest lady player. H. J. Armstrong will therefore be partnered by Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell, who is not well-known as a competitive local player.

U. S. R. C., with Miss Ann Tylor back to the side, is once again at full strength and should not be unduly extended.

There will be a "local derby" at Kowloon Cricket Club, where the "A" and "B" teams clash. Chief interest will lie in the number of sets the juniors will be able to win. There is certain to be a great deal of competition if nothing else!

The following is the programme and teams:—

L.R.C. v C.D.R.
U.S.R.C. v H.K.C.C.
K.C.C. (B) v K.C.C. (A)

L.R.C.—Mr. and Mrs. Story; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ferguson; Capt. Hyde and Miss Grieg.

C.D.R.—A. V. Gosano and Miss A. Remedios; J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ozorio; A. V. Remedios and Miss A. Roza.

U.S.R.C.—W. A. H. Duff and Miss M. Griffiths; L. Goldman and Miss A. Tylor; Comdr. and Mrs. Clifford.

H.K.C.C.—H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell; W. Sander and Miss J. Armstrong; T. A. Pearce and Miss D. Dodwell.

K.C.C. (B)—S. A. Gray and Mrs. Smeby; D. J. N. Anderson and Miss V. Badbury; A. V. White and Mrs. Knight. Reserves:—Miss B. Harker and Mrs. Eymard.

K.C.C. (A)—E. C. Fincher and Mrs. O. Burnett; G. C. Burnett and Mrs. Sweeney; A. E. P. Guest and Mrs. Clark.

HOME CRICKET

WEST INDIES' FINE WIN: COPSON AND TODD BOWL WELL

London, To-day.

West Indies showed a glimpse of their real form in their match with Essex which concluded yesterday.

Chiefly responsible for their two-wickets win were their two most spectacular personalities, George Headley and Constantine.

Headley, the "Black Bradman" scored 116 not out in his second innings, while Constantine took 13 wickets in the course of the match for 91.

In a county championship match which also finished yesterday, Derby beat Kent at Ilkestone by 5 wickets.

This match was chiefly remarkable for the fine form shown by one bowler on each side. For Derby, Copson took 5 for 39 and 4 for 30, while for Kent, young Todd took 4 for 29 and 4 for 61.

Scores:—

Essex—158 (Constantine 7 for 49) and 194 (Constantine 6 for 42).
West Indies—219 (G. Headley 116 not out) and 134 for 8.

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Kent—143 (Copson 5 for 39) and 99 (Copson 4 for 30).
Derby—112 (Todd 4 for 29) and 184 for 5 (Todd 4 for 61).

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

(By "SQUADDY")

WATER POLO LEAGUE

COMMITTEE ELECTED: GAMES TO START THIS MONTH

The second meeting of the newly-formed Water polo league was held yesterday at the Victoria Recreation Club when Mr. S. V. Gittins, the prime-mover for the formation of the League, was elected chairman.

A number of points in connection with the commencement of the League were discussed.

A suggestion by Mr. Goldman that the League be started in July to give time to the various teams to get in training, was not favourably received by the Chinese clubs, who stated that the Federation would be starting their own League about that time, and suggested that an earlier start be made with the League. It was agreed that the League start in the last week of June.

As the Army representative was not present it was uncertain whether the Army would be competing or whether they would be allowed to swim in pitches within harbour limits. It was mentioned that arrangements might be made with the Y.M.C.A. for the use of the bath for most of their games.

A suggestion that goal posts be of standard size was made by Mr. M. M. de V. Soares, but Mr. Winglee said that was not practicable this season and it would be better if clubs use the goalposts they have at present for this season and perhaps, in time all clubs would use standard size, goal posts.

The closing date for entries to the League was fixed for Monday, June 12, and a meeting of club representatives will be held on Tuesday when the draft rules and provisional fixtures for the season will be submitted for approval.

Mr. Chan Lan-fong, Chairman of the Chung Shing Benevolent Society, offered a trophy to the League. His offer was left in abeyance for consideration by the committee.

In addition to the chairman the following were elected to the committee: Messrs. M. M. de V. Soares, Ip Kun Yim, and Lieut. Waller, R. A. and Mr. R. Goldman Secretary-Treasurer.

The following names were submitted as umpires for the season:—S. V. Gittins, G. A. Agabeg, Leung Tit-sang, Chan Sek-pui, Lt. Button, R.N., H. Brokenshire, R. Goldman, Petty Officer Lloyd, R.N.

GOLF STARTING TIMES FOR FANLING

SUNDAY

Old Course

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| 9.16 a.m. | R. H. Gregory, A. D. Humphreys. |
| 9.20 " | A. N. and Q. A. A. Macfad-yen. |
| 9.24 " | S. Tomlinson, J. B. Mackie. |
| 9.28 " | J. F. Robinson, F. A. M. Elliott. |
| 9.32 " | S. H. Dodwell, I. H. Geare. |
| 9.36 " | H. L. Mackenzie, G. M. Park. |
| 9.40 " | L. Jackson, J. C. Brown. |
| 9.44 " | R. G. Gray, B. A. Fergus. |
| 9.48 " | G. T. Harrington, J. A. H. Douglas. |
| 10.04 " | J. M. Pearson, J. W. May-hew. |
| 10.32 " | P. S. Cassidy, Col. Mat-thews. |
| 10.36 " | G. C. Worrall, N. D. Lloyd. |
| 10.44 " | Sir V. Grayburn, F. B. Winter. |

A sport that is not paid much attention in Hong Kong is Roller Skating, which is extremely popular in North China and in Army circles in Egypt.

In most barracks where there is space enough, roller skating is indulged in to a certain extent, but the only unit to give it serious consideration in Hong Kong has been the Middlesex Regiment. They have constructed their own skating rink and have their own Skating club.

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ROLLER SKATES HOCKEY

Their rink is an open air one, and is about 40 yards square, at a rough guess, and is constructed of concrete. The cost of the rink could not have been very great, but the enterprise of the Sports authorities in the Regiment is commendable.

The Scots have no rink, but they are even more fortunate than the Middlesex in a way, because the ground in their barracks is nearly all concreted over and to make a rink, all that would be necessary would be to rope off an area.

Hockey on roller skates can be as exciting as ice hockey, and certainly demands equal skill. It would be interesting to see hockey matches between the Middlesex and the Scots on skates.

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ORDNANCE FOR THIRD DIVISION

SOCCER LEAGUE

Ordnance applied for and obtained entrance into the Second Division of the H.K.F.A. league last season. At the commencement of the season there was no doubt that they had a side that had a real chance of winning the league, let alone justifying their admittance. But luck was not with them and they were unable to replace four of the side that left for home by the first boat last trooping season. They have now learned their lesson and will this year apply for entrance to the Third Division. Munton, the lively leader, of their attack will again be available as will Rides and Emberson.

All three of these players obtained honours in representative matches last year and should increase them this coming season.

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ARMY SOCCER REFEREES

The Army does a lot in the way of training football referees. Each year classes are run, usually by the Secretary of the Referees' Association, and at the end of the course an examination is held. Successful candidates then receive their Army Referee's card, and may register with any of the affiliated associations. The examination consists of a written and practical section. The practical consists of a test on a board marked out as a football pitch with draughts or something similar to represent the men. If a candidate successfully passes the written and first stage of the practical, he is given what is called a "field test." This means that he referees an actual match and one of the senior referees will be on the line watching him. As you can guess this causes some acute cases of "nerves" but most of the budding referees come through all right.

The local referees' representative at the moment is the Reverend S. Hinchliffe, (S.C.F. (C.E.)), who has been in control of some first class games at home and knows what he is talking about.

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The Hong Kong Area Sports Board have purchased water polo pitch at Stonecutters Island. It is not definitely settled whether it will be kept there during the season or whether it will be brought to Hong Kong for use here. In any case, Stonecutters is out of bounds for swimming, now, so presumably something will be done about moving the pitch.

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WALLER O.I.C. WATER POLO

The new officer in charge of Army Water Polo is Lieut. R. de W. Waller, R.A., whilst Major A.T.M.E. Momber, R.A., is now in charge of bathing beaches.

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BACKSTROKE

By BEST BALL

A great number of golfers have achieved a certain skill at the game by modelling their swings along the patterns of various stars. The expert's golf stroke is largely like that of all other star players with allowance for individual mannerisms or interpretations. For instance the finish of the backstroke above is that of Bobby Jones but might belong to one of a dozen first flight players. It represents a position of considerable power held in leash yet there is little sign of tension. If one were seeking a descriptive phrase perhaps that of flowing power might be most suitable.

Jones' left ankle is turned inward, with the balance on this side hinging on the toe. Allowing the ankle to turn inward in this fashion, relaxes the entire left side so that a wider pivot is possible and more weight can be shifted to the right side. This allows the club to be taken back freely and in a wide arc, coming to a momentary halt as it settles just below the horizontal position in back of the neck. At this point the clubhead is pointed to the right of the hole with the back of the body largely presented to it. The wound up power is like that of a twisted

GRAPHIC GOLF



THE COMPLETED WINDUP

rubber band, although in this instance it is power which can be controlled throughout as it unwinds.

Monday.—Full Shoulder Turn.

A. D. LOCKE WINS GOLF CHALLENGE MATCH

Arthur Locke, the South African Open Golf Champion, beat Reginald Whitcombe, British Open Champion, 6 and 5 in their £500 Champion, 6 and 5, in their £500 at Coombe Hill.

LAWN TENNIS

KHO WINS CHALLENGE TROPHY OUTRIGHT

Birmingham, To-day.

Kho Sin-kie, ace Chinese tennis player, won the Priory Tournament, beating Tanacescu, of Rumania, 1—6, 7—5, 6—2 in the final.

The challenge bowl has now become his own property because he has won it for three successive years.

In the Men's doubles final Coom-

Locke was two up at the end of 36 holes played on Wednesday.

Locke, by steady driving and excellent approach shots, won seven of the last nine holes and at the end of the third round and 54 holes, led by five holes after Whitcombe had led by one hole at the 45th.

Locke did his third round in 74, while Whitcombe, who was erratic in his driving, took 75.

Locke continued steadier all-round and Whitcombe consistently ran into trouble with his driving although his putting improved. — Reuter.

be and Malfroy of New Zealand, beat Kho Sin-kie and R. Ritchie 6—0, retired. Kho strained his back in the singles and was also unable to compete in the final of the mixed doubles. — Reuter.

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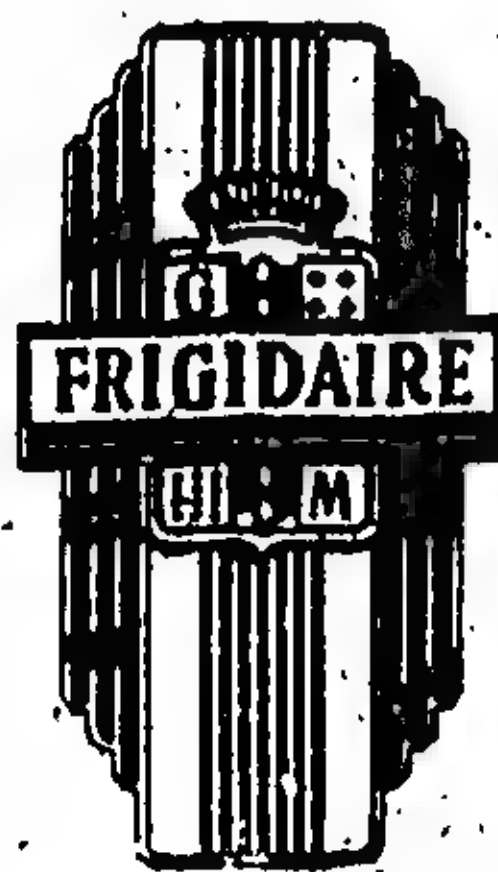
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RACING

Confusion Bay Favoured For Main Event To-Morrow

But Bear Claw Must Not Be Disregarded

TRIBUTE AND LAUGHING GIRL FOR "DOUBLE"

(By "RAPIER")

The second day of the Fifth Extra Race Meeting, which was to have been held on Monday last, will now take place to-morrow, when an interesting programme of 10 events is down for decision.

RACE NO. 1: WHITSUN PLATE: 1½ MILES.

This may be regarded as the outstanding event of the day. In the absence of Rose Elect and Desert Chief, it is not an easy problem to select the likely winner.

I feel we need consider only the following:—

Bear Claw (Mr. Proulx)
Confusion Bay (Mr. Black)
King's Warden (Mr. Needa)
Rob Roy (Mr. Encarnacao)
Moonlight View (Mr. Pih).

It would seem that, despite the heavy burden of 168 lbs. which it will be called on to shoulder, Confusion Bay, in view of its past performances, and the fact that it has had quite a long rest, should turn out a little better than the others.

Bear Claw is the next best pony, and, on its form when it came second to Rose Elect in the Easter Stakes, I expect it to give Confusion Bay a great run, if it does not actually win.

I don't think King's Warden is, as yet, sufficiently fit to prove dangerous here, but, as outsiders I recommend Moonlight View or Rob Roy, especially the former, which will be carrying only 140 lbs. As Rob Roy is in fine condition at present, however, I shall not be surprised if it creates an upset.

Nevertheless, Confusion Bay is my fancy, with Bear Claw second and Rob Roy third.

RACE NO. 2: LAMA HANDI- CAP (FIRST SECTION) 1½ MILES.

As a result of its convincing win in the Taimoshan Handicap, first section, over the mile distance at the Fourth Extra Meeting, Advancing Time, which will again be Mr. Ho Hong-ping's mount, will be carrying top weight of 168 lbs., less 5 lbs. allowance.

Will it be able to win with this extra burden, and the longer distance?

Personally, I think it is capable of winning, as it has reached the top of its form, and once in the lead it will not be easy for the others to overhaul it.

Night View (Mr. H. C. Pih) will also be carrying top weight. On the last occasion it was under the control of Mr. C. Encarnacao, and dead-heated with Ebony Idol in the same race which was won by Advancing Time.

This pony can handle the heavy burden, and I expect it to give Advancing Time a much closer fight to-morrow.

Dekko, which won the Shatin Handicap over six furlongs last Saturday but was subsequently disqualified for crossing, may find the distance too long, and this also applies to Royal Highness, which was third in the same race.

King's Worthy has been mentioned as the dark horse in this race. How far this is true remains to be seen!

However, I nominate Advancing Time to win, with Night View second, leaving Dekko and Royal Highness to decide the other position.

RACE NO. 3: SHARKS BAY HANDICAP: FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN.

The field for this race will be very limited. In fact I don't expect more than three ponies to face the starter. Although beaten by Ruby Star last Saturday, it will be most surprising if Janber is beaten again. This pony finished full of running last week, and I fail to see how it can be beaten although Baffin Bay may give it a tussle.

RACE NO. 4: GREEN ISLAND HANDICAP FIRST SECTION: FROM THE 1½ MILE POST.

In this sprint event, Mr. Encarnacao has the choice of taking out three mounts, Rose Emily, Rose Jane, or Rose Evelyn.

If he decides on Rose Evelyn, he will have a pony capable of winning. Once off the mark, if can move fairly fast.

Pinfarthings (Mr. Churchill) is the more dangerous pony here, however. It was defeated by Celtic Star and Rose Jane in the Mount Davis Handicap over the two mile post distance, but to-morrow it will be given a grand chance of avenging its previous defeat.

This race should resolve into a battle between Pinfarthings and Rose Evelyn, and whichever one gets a good start should win.

I like Pinfarthings as the likely winner, with Rose Evelyn second and Rose Emily third.

RACE NO. 5: LAMA HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION) 1½ MILES.

This is the first leg of the "Daily Double," and the winner should come from the following:—

Silver Star (Mr. S. W. Tang)
Some Hope (Mr. Encarnacao)
Starlet (Mr. P. L. Chiu)
Tribute (Mr. Tao)
Willynilly (Mr. L. B. Chao).

Tribute will be carrying 168 lbs.

but is quite capable of winning at this weight.

The danger is Starlet, which came third in the Taimoshan Handicap, second section, over the mile.

Some Hope ran most disappointingly last Saturday, but may prove dangerous to-morrow.

Wild Bear, with only 140 lbs. to look after, is not to be overlooked, and Willynilly is due to show us a little of its old form.

I nominate Tribute to win, with Starlet second and Some Hope third.

RACE NO. 6: WOOLLAHRA HANDICAP: FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND AND IN.

This race should be contested at a very fast pace with every prospect of a grand finish.

Chiltern (Mr. Encarnacao) ran second to Triumphant Day in the Broken Hill Handicap at the Third Extra Meeting, and it certainly appears the best recommendation for a win here. Anything is likely to happen, however, and the defeat of Chiltern by either Cockleroi (Mr. Needa) or Devonian (Mr. Black) is not by any means impossible.

True, Cockleroi has not done anything of note for a long time, but I have a feeling it is due for a win. Devonian has been knocking at the door of success for a long period, and it is quite possible that it may spring a surprise in this race.

I consider Chiltern the best pony here, with Devonian second and Cockleroi third, leaving Rivulet (Mr. Pih) as the outsider.

RACE NO. 7: GREEN ISLAND HANDICAP (SECOND SECOND) FROM THE 1½ MILE POST.

This is the second leg of the "Daily Double," and selections here will be limited to a small number of ponies.

Blue Diamond (Mr. Raymond), Galveston Bay (Mr. Black), and Tyne (Mr. L. B. Chao) are given top weights of 168 lbs., with Rose-Queen (Mr. Roy) carrying 166 lbs.

Rose-Queen won the Mount Davis Handicap over the two mile post distance, and with Laughing Girl, which was second in the same race, should be in at the finish here.

As I consider Laughing Girl much the faster of the two, and in view of the shortness of the race, I think it will win, with Tyne second and Rose-Queen third.

RACE NO. 8: BEAUFORT HAN- DICAP: ONE MILE.

In this race for China ponies of this season, the winner should come from the following:—

Blue Express (Mr. Encarnacao)
Galaxy (Mr. L. B. Tao)
Hectic View (Mr. Pih)
Jennifer (Mr. Proulx).

Blue Express came in second to Eve of Harvest in the St. George's Plate, over 1½ miles at the Third Extra Meeting, and, whilst I consider that it has a good chance of winning here, I expect it to receive stiff opposition from Hectic View, which was second to English Cavalier in the Mount Gough Handicap, carrying 168 lbs., at the Fourth Extra Meeting.

Galaxy has not been in the limelight for a long time, but it may spring a surprise here when least expected, while Jennifer is also good for this distance, although it will have to perform much better to beat either Blue Express or Hectic View.

Blue Express appears to me as the best bet for a win, with Hectic View second and Jennifer third, leaving Galaxy as the outsider.

RACE NO. 9: MANLY HANDI- CAP: ONE MILE.

In this race for "C" Class Australian ponies I expect to see a close finish, in which the following should figure prominently:—

A Great Time (Mr. Needa)
Annabella (Mr. Raymond)
Murray River (Mr. Black)
Twilight Star (Mr. B. L. Tao).

A Great Time ran second to Dis-

cap over the two mile post distance at the Second Extra Race Meeting, but at that time it was handled by Mr. T. Y. Woo.

With Mr. Needa on top to-morrow, I think it will win, although it must be remembered that this pony has been most disappointing on more than one occasion.

Twilight Star ran quite well to take second place in the St. Kilda Handicap, which was won by Perfect Day, and under the control of Mr. B. L. Tao it should again be prominent.

A very dangerous pony is Annabella, and I have a feeling that it is due for a win, so look out for a possible upset.

I am inclined to forecast A Great Time to win, with Twilight Star second and Annabella third.

RACE NO. 10: SMUGGLERS PLATE: SIX FURLONGS.

This is the final race of the day, and, from the entries, I suggest keeping the following in mind:—

Gog (Mr. Needa)
Heddon (Mr. Black)
Kut Cheong (Mr. Raymond)
National Honour (Mr. Chanson)
Bressay (Mr. Hearne).

Heddon lost to Some Hope by only a slight margin in the Hunchback's Plate over six furlongs, and it may be that with Mr. Black riding it to-morrow the pony will win its first race.

Gog was third in this race, and it may perform better to-morrow.

National Honour came in second to Green Bay last Saturday, and with Mr. Chanson up, it should do well here, while Bressay is said to be due for a win.

I nominate Gog to win, with Heddon second and National Honour third.

LAWN TENNIS

MORE ABOUT SHAMATEURS

London, May 21.—For months past the lawn tennis public has been waiting with keen anticipation to see what would happen to the players and clubs as to whose proceedings in the way of turning their vouchers into cash or putting up players in hotels instead of "private hospitality" have been the subject of inquiry by a committee of the L.T.A. appointed for that purpose.

This committee's findings have been reported to the Council of the L.T.A. Very little happened, although a note of warning was sounded. The Council evidently felt that to penalise two or a few more players for contravention of the rules, or two or more tournaments for enabling them to do so, would raise a dramatic storm, and that in the circumstances it would be best not to take any such drastic step as disqualification or suspension for even a short period. Having at the last general meeting decided not to adopt the "eight weeks" rule, it was expected that at least measures would be taken against those who have broken the rule for years past; but as these might penalise even players in the L.T.A.'s ranking lists and quite a number of tournament committees, it was thought better to do nothing in the matter. The caution privately communicated may have the effect at long last of cleaning up a part of the game which has long been a scandal and has driven many players out of the game altogether. Once again the nettle has not been grasped: every year its prickles become more poisonous.



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LAWN BOWLS

Time-Limit For Cancellation Of League Matches

Association Should Go Into This Question

WHO SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR "FINDING OUT"

(By "SKIP")

As only a few heads were played in the three League games which were commenced last Saturday, comment on the play is both difficult and futile:

Club de Recreio are at present one shot to down to Kowloon Cricket Club whilst both Police teams have an advantage over Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

The question of a time-limit for the cancellation of games will, I am convinced, have to be gone into by the Association sooner or later. The problem is not an easy one I will admit for just as the weather varies on the two sides of the harbour, so do the greens vary considerably: the usual thing is for those on the mainland to be ready for play before the island ones, especially at the Valley.

Take last Saturday as an example: one club declared its green unfit at 9.30

whereas others in the same vicinity waited until nearly 1 o'clock before reaching a decision. At least three Kowloon greens were declared to be fit as late as 4 o'clock: then came a further downpour which prevented the commencement of one of the games, and as I have indicated, brought the others to an early finish.

Happy Medium

The difficulty is to find a happy medium and I would suggest that in case of doubt, a message, not necessarily definite, be left at the Clubs at 1.30 p.m. Should there still be a doubt at that time then the home greens convenor can say at what time a decision will be reached.

An important point is that the message be left at the club concerned and not with one or even two members who may not conveniently be available.

The responsibility for finding out is then, quite properly, left with the player who has only to telephone to know

what is being done. I write with a certain amount of experience of the annoyance which can be caused, quite thoughtlessly, by phoning the secretary or some such official of a Club.

I have said that the responsibility of finding out rests with the individual: yet I know of one case (not this year) when the captain of a team had to communicate with nine of his team: all this from the Star Ferry!

It ought not to be too much trouble for the twelve members of a team to find out for themselves rather than for one player to have to chase round, "amazing" the other eleven!

A simple request to the Clubs from the Association to the effect that "in doubtful weather a message shall be left with Club staffs at 1.30 p.m.: in no case should a decision be reached later than 2.45 p.m.", might help matters.

Perhaps some club will take the lead in this matter for the benefit of all bowlers: or will the Association give a lead on the subject?

A Correspondent Writes: "What About Some Notes On

THE ETIQUETTE OF THE GAME"

(By "SKIP")

"What about a few lines on the etiquette of the game," writes a correspondent who uses "Hak Sik" as his nom de plume. "So many newcomers to the game," he continues, "not only do not know the rules but are also ignorant of those little touches of sporting behaviour which make our game so enjoyable."

As I have finished my notes on the rules with this very theme etiquette, I feel justified in acceding to my correspondent's request.

In the first place the duties of the lead and second man are to a certain extent laid down in the rules. The leader, just to mention one duty, has to place the mat in position when it is his turn to bowl; after which he must throw the jack.

The second man, it is laid down, shall be responsible for keeping the score and for announcing the state of the game after each head; the latter duty is fortunately not carried out in this Colony and appears to be rather superfluous!

In connection with the keeping of the score, I would again remind Number Two's that is necessary for the score cards to be kept accurately and clearly.

Not only should the names of all players be legibly written in the spaces provided, but also the initials of the players.

The cards should be signed by the two skips (after they have scanned them) and then handed to the responsible person named by the club, who will forward them to the hon. secretary of the association.

TAKE CHARGE

The duty of the third player is to take charge of the head and direct the skip should that player need it; many of the number three's, against whom I have played, are in the habit of offering advice to their skip just when he is about to bowl, and if it is his turn to bowl first,

and he has therefore just seen the head.

Should the opposing player have altered the lay of the woods then it is necessary to give advice or information, not otherwise.

As the skip is obviously at the other end of the rink when the measuring is to be done, this important duty is usually carried out by the third player to whom this job is delegated by unwritten law.

The skip, as I have said in my notes on rules, is the head man in the rink and his instructions must be honoured.

Also he must be able to get impossible shots which all his team have failed to achieve and must be equable in victory and more especially in defeat.

When things are going bad, then it is the time for the skip to urge his men on to better results; the dramatic expressions of disgust with which some skips exhibit are no encouragement to a player who may be having an off day, nor are they a credit to the game.

Speaking of the rink as a whole, the whole secret of success is team work and a combination of players who will pull together when things are looking bad—each one should try by concentration to produce a spectacular shot at the right moment to revive the spirits of his fellow players.

Courtesy to an opponent's little whims and fads is as important as it is to those of one's own side.

Some players are worried by an opponent, or their skip or number three, sitting down behind the back,



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after having given directions; some skips are continually on the move like jitterbugs; some player sit on the bank right over the disc.

All of these things MAY annoy one or other of the players and should be avoided; it is embarrassing to a player to have to ask for consideration in these matters and a player who is really a good sport may be branded otherwise by one who does not know his little whims.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST!

And now like the school boy who always kept the icing to the last, I have kept what I seriously consider the most important part of my discourse to the very end. It is the habit of most players, especially one's and two's, of talking too much during the game.

Players in this latter category

have no right whatsoever to speak during the game except to ask questions from their skip as regards the lay of the woods.

Having delivered their woods they should remain absolutely silent; neither commenting on the subsequent woods nor proffering unwanted advice to the number three's.

The latter know the game or they would not have been put into the position by their selection committee; so they should be given a chance to concentrate on their instructions and justify the trust which has been put in them.

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New York, To-day.

Lou Nova beat Max Baer, former world heavyweight champion, in an eliminating bout for the world title, at the Yankee Stadium last night in the eleventh round of a scheduled 15-round fight, the referee stopping the contest.

Baer weighed in at 15 stone 4lb. and Nova 14 stone 6 lbs. The sky was overcast and the weather cool when the fight started before a crowd of 25,000 fans, among whom were Jack Dempsey, Tony Galento and Joe Louis. Galento and Louis are to fight for the title this month.

Nova was a 10/11 favourite before the start.

With a two-handed attack Nova won the first round, in which the referee warned Baer for a foul blow. Nova appeared to be unhurt.

The second round was very fierce, and Baer, looking savage, told Nova to keep up his punches. It was Baer's round.

After a quiet third round Baer claimed a foul in the fourth but boxed on after shaking hands. Baer won the round on a foul.

BOTH TIRING

Both boxers were tiring in the fifth round under the terrific pace. Blood was coming from Baer's mouth at every blow but he won the round and also took the sixth with left and right hooks to the ribs and head.

Nova was showing signs of distress but improved in the seventh, when he landed several right crosses.

Nova kept up the attack in the eighth, in which blood was pouring from Baer's mouth and his left eye was rapidly closing.

NOVA ON TOP

Nova was now on top and boxing beautifully landed five punches to Baer's one. Baer's mouth was troublesome and in the tenth round he was spitting blood and had little defence against Nova's bombardment.

At the start of the eleventh round the referee asked Baer if he was able to carry on, but after 1 minute 21 seconds he stopped the fight, Baer appearing to have burst a blood vessel in his mouth.

DESERVED WINNER

Nova was a deserved winner. He weathered the early bad spell and was much better in the later rounds.

Mika Jacobs confirmed that Nova would now meet the winner of the Louis-Galento fight for the title in September.

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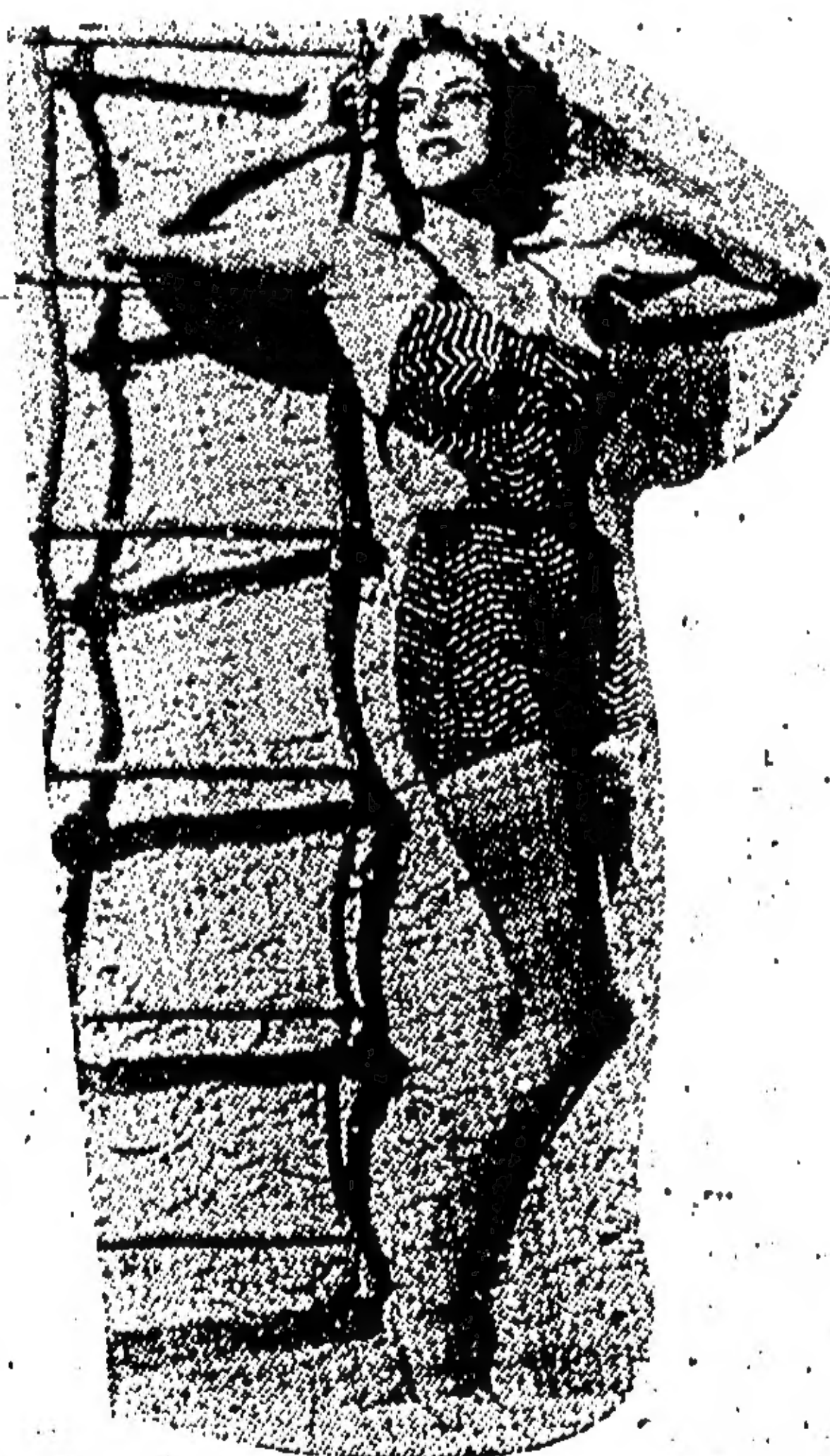
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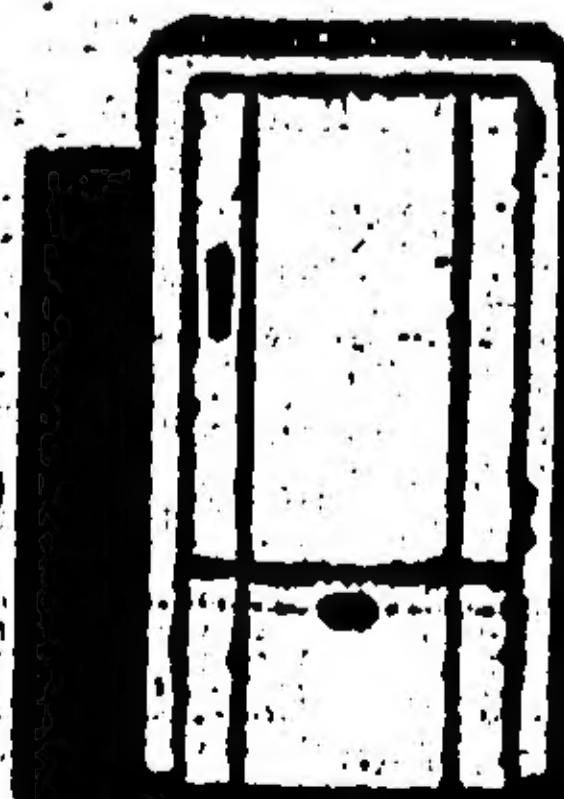
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